

WATSON PARK BRANCH

*town of*  
**BRAINTREE**  
massachusetts

annual report

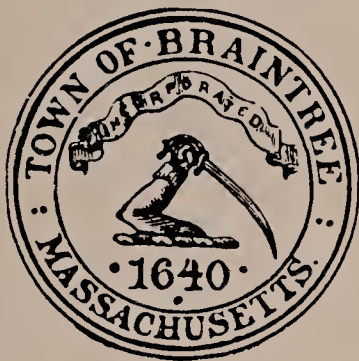


for the year

1955



ANNUAL REPORT  
*of*  
THE TOWN OF  
**BRAINTREE**  
MASSACHUSETTS



*For The Year*  
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# Town Officers, 1955

Compiled by

CARL R. JOHNSON, JR.

Town Clerk

## *Moderator*

E. Curtiss Mower, 1956

### *Town Clerk*

Carl R. Johnson, Jr., 1956

### *Town Treasurer*

George H. Gerrior, Jr., 1956  
(fill vacancy)

## *Selectmen*

John W. Mahar, Chairman, 1956

Herbert B. Hollis, Clerk, 1957

Fred A. Tenney, 1958

## *Board of Public Welfare*

Harrison T. Smiley, Chairman, 1956

Fred A. Tenney, Clerk, 1958

Herbert B. Hollis, 1957

## *Assessors*

Arthur E. Boynton, Chairman, 1956

Reginald P. Fitzgerald, Clerk, 1958

Chester W. Nelson, 1957

## *Water Commissioners*

Thomas E. Sears, Chairman, 1958

Willard P. Sheppard, 1956

Joseph Landers, 1957

## *School Committee*

Ovidio D. Chiesa, Chairman, 1956

Almeda Walker Cain, Secretary, 1958

James L. Jordan, 1956

Robert J. Barrett, 1957

Roger W. Arnold, 1957

Charles W. Baldwin, 1958

## *Municipal Lighting Board*

Norton P. Potter, Chairman, 1956

Shelley A. Neal, 1957

Carl W. R. Johnson, 1958

## *Board of Parks and Playground Commissioners*

George F. Leben, Chairman, 1958

William G. Dyer

1956

Earl C. Hollis

1956

Elmer E. Raymond

1956

Edgar L. Copp

1957

George H. Snyder, Jr.

1956

Harry F. Vinton, Jr.

1957

Margaret R. Abell, Secretary  
(Appointed)

## *Sewer Commissioners*

Earl D. Gilliatt, 1956

Charles C. Temple, 1958

William G. Dyer, 1956  
(fill vacancy)



*United States House of Representatives*  
Congressman Richard B. Wigglesworth

*Massachusetts Legislature*

Senator Charles W. Hedges

Representative George H. Thompson

Representative Wililam A. Connell, Jr.

Representative Herbert B. Hollis

*Governor's Council*

Coucillor Charles J. Gabriel

*Norfolk County Commissioners*

Everett M. Bowker

Russell T. Bates

Clayton W. Nash

## *Town Meeting Members*

### *Precinct 1*

J. Dudley Gannon	1956	Carl W. R. Johnson	1957
Walter Hennessey	1956	Albert R. Klay	1957
Robert G. Hobart	1956	Joseph M. Magaldi	1957
Donald J. Laing	1956	Nahum R. Pillsbury	1957
Henry C. Lake	1956	Ernest S. Reynolds	1957
Walter H. Loud, Jr.	1956	Stanley H. Richards	1957
William A. Maloney	1956	Whitney Withington	1957
Arthur H. McGibbon	1956	John Alden	1958
George L. Novelline	1956	Frank Basile	1958
John F. O'Rourke	1956	George H. Cain	1958
H. Winthrop S. Roberts, Jr.	1956	H. Irving Charnock	1958
Cornelius L. Sullivan	1956	Joseph F. Connolly	1958
Elizabeth White	1956	Elmer G. Derby	1958
Ira R. Young	1956	Earl R. Grant	1958
Albert Avitabile	1957	Harry E. Holt	1958
Almeda Walker Cain	1957	John F. Leetch	1958
William H. Colligan	1957	John A. O'Rourke	1958
Kenneth G. Dyer	1957	Merton L. Pratt	1958
Ernest J. Janssen	1957	Harry T. Sears	1958
Carl R. Johnson, Jr.	1957	Paul H. Young	1958

### *Precinct 2*

Harvey J. Annis	1956	Robert W. Matthews	1957
Robert J. Barrett	1956	N. Eric Nelson	1957
Warren K. Boynton	1956	George C. Newcomb	1957
Walter M. Brock	1956	Norton P. Potter	1957
Chester W. Daily	1956	Wallace B. Strathdee	1957
Raymond V. Coppens	1956	James V. Tedesco	1957
Mathias A. Gorham	1956	J. Paul Benson	1958
Nelson A. Haviland	1956	John R. Dallinger	1958
Earl C. Hollis	1956	Robert E. Frazier	1958
Frederick J. Klay	1956	Charles R. Furlong	1958
Carl J. Knutson	1956	Leo J. Hart, Jr.	1958
Edward P. Long	1956	Knute Ingmanson	1958



Richard L. McMaster	1956	Joseph Landers	1958
Archie T. Morrison	1956	Joseph C. Landrey	1958
Felix H. Atkinson	1957	Daniel P. LaPlante	1958
J. Warren Cuff	1957	Charles E. Morse	1958
A. Wendell Drollett, Jr.	1957	Waldo E. Niles	1958
William D. Ewing	1957	Russell D. Raymond	1958
Donald M. Jordan	1957	Stacy B. Southworth	1958
Arthur F. Lucas, Jr.	1957	Gordon O. Thayer	1958
Donald B. MacMillan	1957		

*Precinct 3*

Marjorie Bates	1956	Harold A. Newcomb	1957
William B. Belcher	1956	Mortimer N. Peck	1957
William G. Brooks	1956	Samuel H. Ripley	1957
Gordon W. Bryant	1956	George A. Shortle	1957
Joseph A. Carson	1956	George E. Warren	1957
Edgar L. Copp	1956	Albert E. Wynot	1957
Charles D. Curtiss, Jr.	1956	Harold G. Wynot	1957
Edwin L. Emerson	1956	Alfred W. Beck	1958
Leo J. Hart	1956	Gordon L. F. Belyea	1958
James L. Jordan	1956	Roland G. Belyea	1958
Charles W. Mann	1956	Earle S. Buckman	1958
Will R. Minchin	1956	Charles M. Copeland	1958
Lucius A. Qualey	1956	Mary T. Ellis	1958
Ruth W. Shuster	1956	Donald A. Hollis	1958
A. William Albert	1957	Richard A. Hunt	1958
Chester A. Belyea	1957	William F. Lammers	1958
Sophie G. Blunt	1957	Arthur W. Moffat	1958
Henry G. Galebach	1957	Otis B. Oakman, Jr.	1958
Kenneth N. Gould	1957	Hugh B. Snow	1958
Herbert B. Hollis	1957	Howard C. White	1958
Shelley A. Neal	1957	Austin E. Wynot	1958

*Precinct 4*

Patricia J. Arnold	1956	Herbert H. Eno	1957
Arthur R. Benson	1956	Matthew W. Hanscom	1957
J. Frank Dings	1956	John G. Hedman	1957
Margaret E. Duffee	1956	Lillian E. Killam	1957
Chester O. Ellis	1956	Frank T. Maguire	1957
Allen C. Emery, Jr.	1956	Charles C. Parker	1957
F. Howard Hallett	1956	Seward W. Taber	1957
Thomas R. Huleatt	1956	George R. Allen	1958
Roger J. Leonard	1956	Arthur E. Boynton	1958
William H. Low	1956	Francis S. Carter	1958
Thomas H. Matthews	1956	Ovidio D. Chiesa	1958
John L. Ray	1956	Richard W. Farnsworth	1958
William J. Stevenson	1956	William H. Gustafson	1958
Gordon E. Trask	1956	Andrew N. Harvey	1958
Mary Beatrice Arnold	1957	E. Harrison Keith	1958
Roger W. Arnold	1957	John W. Mahar	1958
Gilbert L. Bean	1957	J. Stanley McLaughlin	1958
Ernest G. Becker	1957	Walter E. Morrison	1958
A. Winton Caird	1957	Robert J. Stalker	1958
Harold W. Cairns	1957	Hiram C. Towne	1958
Lee Cisneros	1957	Calvin E. Young	1958

*Precinct 5*

Edward D. Cahill	1956	Charles W. King, Jr.	1957
Joseph P. Cassidy	1956	Harvey G. Lyons, Jr.	1957
Henry A. Cohoon	1956	Daniel Maloney	1957
Philip S. Dexter, Jr.	1956	Alexander Mitchelson	1957
George W. Garland	1956	Sidney B. Tinson	1957
Charles G. Jordan, Jr.	1956	Herbert J. Albee	1958
George W. Lunn	1956	Raymond E. Bean	1958
Paul E. Maxham	1956	William J. Burns	1958
John L. McDonnell	1956	Lawrence W. Croll	1958
Ramon A. Nagle	1956	Robert M. Hutton	1958
Richard W. Troup	1956	William T. Kendrick	1958
Harold R. Walsh	1956	William S. Monahan	1958
Charles F. Abell	1957	E. Theodore Nokes	1958
Carl H. Bjorkman	1957	William A. Reed	1958
Everett A. Buker	1957	Percy T. Richards	1958
Thomas F. Cassidy	1957	W. Edwin Skinner	1958
Harold J. Clancy	1957	William B. Taylor	1958
Henry J. Diotte	1957	Herman W. Tott	1958
G. Vinton Jones	1957		

*Precinct 6*

Carl P. Andre	1956	Emilio Libertine	1957
Howard R. Beaver	1956	John A. Libertine	1957
John J. Canavan	1956	Raymond P. Palmer	1957
John J. Corbett	1956	William H. Stovold	1957
R. Alden Elliott	1956	George H. Young	1957
Christopher M. Garland	1956	Walter B. Broydrick	1958
John F. Harkin	1956	James E. Carroll	1958
Ruby Keigan	1956	Russell J. Hennebury	1958
Margaret C. Palmer	1956	George A. Lydon	1958
Natalie H. Stovold	1956	Henry G. Mullowney	1958
Elwin F. Tirrell	1956	Edward J. Rose	1958
Jack R. Ainsleigh	1957	Arthur E. Stenberg	1958
Charles W. Baldwin	1957	Franklin B. Thompson	1958
John E. Cannon	1957	Charles E. Timmons	1958
George F. Creehan	1957	Ernest M. Wells	1958
Walter E. Delory	1957	E. Chester Wright	1958
Frank H. Diekmeyer	1957	Russell H. Wright	1958
Robert O. Grondin	1957		



# Appointed Officers and Committees

## *Police Department*

Edward D. Cahill, Chief and Keeper of the Lock-up

N. Eric Nelson, Deputy Chief

Leo J. Hart, Jr., Lieutenant

Albert R. Klay, Lieutenant

Francis T. Maguire, Lieutenant

Everett A. Buker, Sergeant

Herbert H. Eno, Sergeant

Edward P. Long, Sergeant

John V. Polio, Sergeant

Earle A. Prario, Sergeant

John F. O'Rourke, Sergeant

## *Fire Department*

Harry T. Sears, Chief

Edward A. Hennebury, Asst. Chief

Walter Hennessey, Deputy Chief

Frank B. Thompson, Deputy Chief

## *Industrial Development Commission*

Paul H. Young, Chairman, 1960

William S. Monahan, Clerk 1958

John O. Holden 1956

Herbert J. Albee

Charles R. Furlong

1957

1959

## *Board of Registrars*

James H. Dignan, Chairman 1958

Carl R. Johnson, Jr., Clerk

Lillian M. Drinkwater

Thomas F. Mulligan

1957

1956

## *Field Drivers*

Walter J. Mattie

Mansfield A. Belyea

Edmund M. Richardi

## *Fence Viewers*

John P. Gallagher

W. Homer Melville

Edwin L. Emerson

## *Inspectors of Plumbing*

Israel P. Weston

Arthur F. Sullivan

## *Board of Appeal Under Zoning By-Law*

Herbert J. Redman, Chairman

Earl R. Grant, Clerk

Robert A. Woodsum

Alternate, Mervin B. Hill

## *Board of Appeal Under Building Code*

Ovidio D. Chiesa

Joseph M. Duffy

Ralph H. Marstin

## *Airport Commission*

William G. Brooks, Chairman, 1956

Thomas C. Currier

1956

William Stewart

1957

John W. Murphy

George T. Woodsum

1958

1958

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

BURIAL AGENT

BUILDING INSPECTOR

DEPUTY BUILDING INSPECTOR

WIRE INSPECTOR

DIRECTOR OF VETERANS' SERVICES

WELFARE AGENT

Ralph W. Maglathlin

George A. Shortle

John C. Pafford

Daniel A. Maloney

Arthur F. Lucas

George A. Shortle

Henry J. Gaffney



TOWN COUNSEL	Richard A. Hunt
TOWN ENGINEER	Harold C. Pearl
SUPT. OF FIRE ALARM SYSTEM	Harry T. Sears
SUPT. OF INFIRMARY	Joseph A. Hall
SUPT. OF STREETS	John Q. Wentworth
MGR. OF ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPT.	Alban G. Spurrell
SUPT. OF WATER DEPARTMENT	George N. Watson
SUPT. OF SEWER DEPARTMENT	George F. Brousseau
SUPT. OF PLAIN STREET CEMETERY	Albert A. Drollett
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES	Calvin E. Young
HEALTH AGENT	Deane R. Walker
INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS	James F. Mattie
INSPECTOR OF MEATS AND PROVISIONS	James F. Mattie
MOTH SUPERINTENDENT	John Q. Wentworth
FOREST WARDEN	Harry T. Sears
MILK INSPECTOR	Deane R. Walker
DOG OFFICER	Cornelius L. Sullivan
SLAUGHTERING INSPECTOR	James F. Mattie
HARBOR MASTER	Seward W. Taber
ASSISTANT HARBOR MASTER	Earl T. Connors

*Town Forest Committee*

Harry C. Lake	Donald C. Wilder	Jeanette Mohnkern
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*Finance Committee*

<i>Chairman</i>		<i>Vice-Chairman</i>	
James P. McCue	1957	L. Frederick Martin	1957
<i>Secretary</i>		<i>Ex-Officio Member</i>	
Leslie R. Birnie	1958	J. Paul Benson	1956
Gilbert L. Bean	1958	E. Harrison Keith	1957
George F. Creehan	1958	Charles H. Mundt	1956
Charles D. Curtiss, Jr.	1956	Alton L. Pike	1957
F. LeRoy Foster	1957	Herbert J. Redman	1956
George W. Garland	1958	Hugh B. Snow	1958
Robert W. Sullivan		1956	

# Town Clerk

Carl R. Johnson, Jr.—Town Clerk

## Vital Statistics

	1954	1955
Births	421	461
Marriages	258	293
Deaths	303	330

## Town Election

### NUMBER OF VOTES CAST

Precinct 1A .....	418
Precinct 1B .....	400
Precinct 2 .....	1063
Precinct 3 .....	987
Precinct 4 .....	857
Precinct 5 .....	707
Precinct 6 .....	765
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### *For Moderator*

	1A	1B	2	3	4	5	6	Total
E. Curtis Mower	296	287	965	750	672	494	530	3994
Blanks	122	113	98	237	185	213	235	1203

E. Curtiss Mower elected and sworn by Town Clerk

### *For Town Clerk*

	1A	1B	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Howard R. Beaver	12	12	33	41	46	138	458	740
John P. Durning	22	15	101	175	120	79	13	525
Earl C. Hollis	41	56	213	80	43	68	36	537
Carl R. Johnson, Jr.	195	204	403	144	173	186	133	1438
Robert W. Kenyon	33	5	53	108	93	33	12	337
Roger C. Noyes	45	43	127	212	129	96	57	709
Calvin E. Young	66	60	124	204	250	104	53	861
Blanks	4	5	9	23	3	3	3	50

Carl R. Johnson, Jr., elected and sworn by Town Clerk

### *For Town Treasurer*

	1A	1B	2	3	4	5	6	Total
John W. Harding	345	334	958	838	742	582	632	4431
Blanks	73	66	105	149	115	125	133	763

John W. Harding elected and sworn by Town Clerk

### *For Selectmen (For Three Years)*

	1A	1B	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Fred A. Tenney	349	327	980	834	728	568	620	4406
Blanks	69	73	83	153	129	139	144	790
Scattering							1	1

Fred A. Tenney elected and sworn by Town Clerk

*For Board of Public Welfare (For Three Years)*

	1A	1B	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Fred A. Tenney	342	331	990	814	718	554	610	4359
Blanks	76	69	73	173	139	153	154	837
Scattering							1	1

Fred A. Tenney elected and sworn by Town Clerk

*For Assessor (For Three Years)*

	1A	1B	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Reginald P. Fitzgerald	339	326	962	814	718	557	611	4327
Blanks	79	74	101	173	139	150	154	870

Reginald P. Fitzgerald elected and sworn by Town Clerk

*For Water Commissioner (For Three Years)*

	1A	1B	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Thomas E. Sears	351	329	949	808	719	573	612	4341
Blanks	67	71	114	179	138	134	153	856

Thomas E. Sears elected and sworn by Town Clerk

*For School Committee (For Three Years)*

	1A	1B	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Charles W. Baldwin	318	269	779	804	673	565	606	4014
Almeda Walker Cain	333	277	792	831	682	520	564	3999
Blanks	185	254	555	339	359	329	360	2381

Charles W. Baldwin and Almeda Walker Cain elected and sworn by Town Clerk

*For Board of Health (For Three Years)*

	1A	1B	2	3	4	5	6	Total
B. Joseph Rizzo	330	322	944	783	705	556	598	4238
Blanks	88	78	119	204	152	151	167	959

B. Joseph Rizzo elected and sworn by Town Clerk

*For Municipal Lighting Board (For Three Years)*

	1A	1B	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Ernest T. Fulton	129	94	345	525	355	281	309	2038
Carl W. R. Johnson	242	248	573	363	412	344	366	2548
Blanks	47	58	145	99	90	82	90	611

Carl W. R. Johnson elected and sworn by Town Clerk

*For Sewer Commisisoner (For Three Years)*

	1A	1B	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Charles C. Temple	328	329	959	781	689	569	585	4240
Blanks	90	71	104	206	168	138	180	957

Charles C. Temple elected and sworn by Town Clerk

*For Park Commisisoner (For Three Years)*

	1A	1B	2	3	4	5	6	Total
George F. Leben	195	120	469	635	528	466	467	2880
Frank Basile	183	241	472	245	218	168	190	1717
Blanks	40	39	122	107	111	73	108	600

George F. Leben elected and sworn by Town Clerk



*For Collector of Taxes*

	1A	1B	2	3	4	5	6	Total
George H. Gerrior, Jr.	347	330	1005	808	727	574	636	4427
Blanks	71	70	58	178	130	133	129	769
Scattering				1				1

George H. Gerrior, Jr., elected and sworn by Town Clerk

*For Tree Warden*

	1A	1B	2	3	4	5	6	Total
John F. Leetch	353	320	998	812	707	575	604	4369
Blanks	65	80	65	175	150	132	161	828

John F. Leetch elected and sworn by Town Clerk

*For Planning Board (For Five Years)*

	1A	1B	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Vito M. D'Acci	70	185	198	97	98	81	123	852
Frederick J. Klay	123	81	342	498	371	283	289	1937
Donald B. MacMillan	191	114	441	317	293	263	251	1870
Blanks	34	20	82	75	95	80	102	483

Frederick J. Klay elected and sworn by Town Clerk

*For Braintree Housing Authority (For Five Years)*

	1A	1B	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Carl R. Johnson, Jr.	345	325	963	790	708	567	604	4302
Blanks	73	75	100	197	149	140	161	895

Carl R. Johnson, Jr., elected and sworn by Town Clerk

*Industrial Development Commission*

*For Five Years*

	1A	1B	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Paul H. Young	345	334	962	800	687	542	584	4254
Blanks	73	66	101	187	170	165	181	943

*For Four Years*

Charles R. Furlong	341	344	996	795	692	549	579	4296
Blanks	77	56	67	192	165	158	186	901

*For Three Years*

Hyman H. Borax	140	97	281	449	313	206	208	1694
William S. Monahan	217	210	551	390	396	370	409	2543
Blanks	61	93	231	148	148	131	148	960

*For Two Yaers*

Herbert J. Albee	327	319	953	756	667	544	558	4124
Blanks	91	81	110	231	190	163	207	1073

*For One Year*

John O. Holden	321	319	949	764	676	538	565	4132
Blanks	97	81	114	223	181	169	200	1065

## PRECINCT 1.

### *13 Town Meeting Members (For Three Years)*

*John Alden	455	Duncan H. Cameron, Jr.	263
*Frank Basile	474	Robert L. Dawes	200
*George H. Cain	509	Harry A. Hoffman	251
*H. Irving Charnock	392	*Harry E. Holt	305
*Joseph F. Connolly	479	Helen A. McMahon	226
*Elmer G. Derby	418	*John A. O'Rourke	355
*Earl R. Grant	408	Eleanor M. Robbins	229
*John F. Leetch	496	Frank Santosuosso	270
*Merton L. Pratt	400	Robert White	281
Daniel W. Schluter	279	*Paul H. Young	443
*Harry T. Sears	522		
	*Elected		

### *One Town Meeting Member (For One Year) To Fill Vacancy*

*William A. Maloney	64
	*Elected

## PRECINCT 2.

### *14 Town Meeting Members (For Three Years)*

*J. Paul Benson	687	*Gordon O. Thayer	661
*John R. Dallinger	682	Nicholas J. DelVecchio	532
*Leo J. Hart, Jr.	698	*Robert E. Frazier	644
*Knute Ingmanson	645	*Charles R. Furlong	743
*Joseph Landers	663	*Daniel P. LaPlante	584
*Joseph C. Landrey	686	*Charles E. Morse	646
*Waldo E. Niles	679	*Russell D. Raymond	542
*Stacy B. Southworth	683		
	*Elected		

### *One Town Meeting Member (For Two Years) To Fill Vacancy*

*Wallace B. Strathdee	204
	*Elected

## PRECINCT 3.

### *14 Town Meeting Members (For Three Years)*

*Alfred W. Beck	695	*Arthur W. Moffatt	739
*Gordon L. F. Belyea	721	*Otis B. Oakman, Jr.	758
*Roland G. Belyea	669	*Hugh B. Snow	673
*Earl S. Bucknan	699	*Howard C. White	710
*Charles M. Copeland	741	*Austin E. Wynot	674
*Mary Thorning Ellis	691	William F. J. Downes	403
*Richard A. Hunt	731	John J. Healey	390
*William F. Lammers	663	*Donald A. Hollis	565
	*Elected		

### *One Town Meeting Member (For Two Years) To Fill Vacancy*

C. Earle Bestick	366	*Harold A. Newcomb	487
	*Elected		

## PRECINCT 4.

### *14 Town Meeting Members (For Three Years)*

*George R. Allen	601	*Walter E. Morrison	549
*Arthur E. Boynton	623	*Robert J. Stalker	549

*Francis S. Carter	527	*Hiram C. Towne	543
*Ovidio D. Chiesa	597	*Calvin E. Young	573
*Richard W. Farnsworth	575	Byron P. Fink, Jr.	286
*William H. Gustafson	571	*Andrew N. Harvey	442
*E. Harrison Keith	575	Dorothy M. Hennebury	414
*John W. Mahar	560	Orel John Schopp	312
*J. Stanley McLaughlin	560		

\*Elected

*Two Town Meeting Members (For One Year) To Fill Vacancy*

*Patricia J. Arnold	636	*John L. Ray	611
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\*Elected

#### PRECINCT 5.

*13 Town Meeting Members (For Three Years)*

*Herbert J. Albee	426	*William B. Taylor	390
*Raymond M. Bean	434	Harold J. Clancy	288
*William J. Burns	451	*Lawrence W. Croll	314
*Robert M. Hutton	399	John R. Dempster	260
*William T. Kendrick	415	John H. Gauthier	266
*E. Theodore Nokes	415	James H. Mahoney	229
*William A. Reed	440	*William S. Monahan	293
*Percy T. Richards	435	William J. Mullen	237
*W. Edwin Skinner	439	*Herman W. Tott	298

\*Elected

*Two Town Meeting Members (For Two Years) To Fill Vacancy*

*Harold J. Clancy	18
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\*Elected

*One Town Meeting Member (For One Year) To Fill Vacancy*

#### PRECINCT 6.

*12 Town Meeting Members (For Three Years) .....*

*George A. Lydon	554	*E. Chester Wright	536
*Edward J. Rose	540	*Russell H. Wright	541
*Arthur E. Stenberg	546	*Walter Broydrick	523
*Franklin B. Thompson	525	*James E. Carroll	522
*Charles E. Timmons	536	*Russell J. Hennebury	531
*Ernest M. Wells	550	*Henry G. Mallowney	512

\*Elected

*One Town Meeting Member (For One Year) To Fill Vacancy*

*John J. Canavan	574
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PERAMBULATION OF BOUNDARY LINES — 1955

October 26, 1955

We hereby certify that on the twenty-second day of October, 1955, we met at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon at the northerly boundary line between the Towns of Braintree and Weymouth and perambulated the boundary lines between the two said Towns in accordance with the Provisions of General Laws, Chapter 42, Section 2.

ON BEHALF OF AND DESIGNATED BY THE  
SELECTMEN OF BRAINTREE:

(signed) JOHN W. MAHAR  
HERBERT B. HOLLIS  
J. WARREN CUFF  
HAROLD C. PEARL

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JOSEPH CREHAN  
WARREN P. BURRELL  
FRANKLIN FRYER

Selectmen of Weymouth  
October 31, 1955

We hereby certify that on the twenty-second day of October, 1955, we met at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon at the northerly boundary line between the Towns of Weymouth and Braintree and perambulated the boundary lines between the two said Towns in accordance with the Provisions of General Laws, Chapter 42, Section 2.

ON BEHALF OF AND DESIGNATED BY THE  
SELECTMEN OF WEYMOUTH:

(signed) JOSEPH CREHAN, Chairman  
WARREN P. BURRELL  
FRANKLIN FRYER

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JOHN W. MAHAR  
HERBERT B. HOLLIS  
H. C. PEARL  
J. WARREN CUFF

Braintree

A true copy, ATTEST:

CARL R. JOHNSON, JR., Town Clerk.

# *Annual and Special Town Meeting*

**MARCH 21, 1955**

Pursuant to a Warrant duly issued, the Annual and Special Town Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, represented by their duly elected and qualified Town Meeting Members, was held in the Braintree Town Hall on Monday, March 21, 1955.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:50 o'clock in the evening by the Annual Moderator, Mr. E. Curtiss Mower.

Prayer for Divine Guidance was offered by the Reverend H. Boyer Wild, Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Braintree.

The newly elected Town Meeting Members were sworn in by the Moderator.

There were 188 Town Meeting Members present.

The Moderator introduced the newly elected Town Clerk, Mr. Carl R. Johnson, Jr., to the meeting. Mr. Johnson was greeted with generous applause by the assembly.

The Moderator relinquished the Chair to Mr. Johnson, Town Clerk, in order that he might address the meeting.

The Moderator then presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Ernest C. Woodsum was first elected Town Clerk of Braintree by his fellow citizens on March 3, 1930, and, having filled that position for 25 years, retired from the public service of this Town on March 14, 1955; and

WHEREAS, during his long tenure he has discharged the responsible duties of his office conscientiously, impartially and in the best interests of the Town, and by his many kindnesses, sympathetic understanding and helpfulness has endeared himself to his fellow citizens and all others with whom he has come in contact; therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Town of Braintree, through its Town meeting Members in meeting assembled this 21st day of March, 1955, hereby expresses its sincere and grateful thanks to Mr. Woodsum for his long and devoted public service; and be it further

RESOLVED: That these resolutions be spread upon the records of this meeting and that a suitably inscribed and certified copy of the same be presented to Mr. Woodsum.

The Moderator then paid tribute to Mr. Woodsum by reviewing his career of twenty-five years as Town Clerk. At the conclusion the assembly stood and applauded in spontaneous acceptance of the resolution and tribute to Mr. Woodsum.

The Moderator assumed the Chair.



The following Tellers were appointed by the Moderator to serve during the course of the evening:

Howard R. Beaver  
John F. Harkin  
William H. Low  
Warren K. Boynton

Charles G. Jordan  
Charles W. Copeland  
Donald A. Hollis  
Ernest J. Janssen

We now continue with consideration of the Articles in the Warrant.

ARTICLE 1. To choose all Town Officers except those elected by ballot.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: The election of John C. Pafford, Shelley A. Neal and Daniel A. Maloney as Measurers of Lumber.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: The election of Matthew McCusker, George A. Williams and Dominic F. Diauto as Measurers of Wood and Weighers of Hay.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: The election of H. Irving Charnock, Otis B. Oakman, Jr., Robert P. Gray, Charles G. Jordan, Louis J. Trojano, Carroll D. Welch, and Harry S. Williams as Trustees of Braintree School Fund for a term of three years.

ARTICLE 2. To hear and act upon the reports of the several boards of Town Officers and Committees, and choose any committee the Town may think proper.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That Article 2 be taken up in conjunction with all other Articles.

Mr. Palmer submitted the report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits as follows:

Pursuant to a resolution at the 1954 Town Meeting, the Moderator appointed the undersigned a committee of three to "make a complete study of all fees for licenses and permits to ascertain if increases are in order to pay for added services, and report back to the Annual Town Meeting, inserting in the warrant for that meeting any articles relating to the subject."

The committee met and organized in June. We asked all town departments to give us information relative to the fees charged by them for licenses and permits and also to let us know if there were any being issued without charge. In due time we received this information from all town officers and departments concerned.

A review of the data indicates that more than fifty different kinds of licenses and permits are issued in Braintree. In general they fall into three classes as follows:

1. Those whose fees are set by state law
2. Those whose fees are set by town by-laws
3. Those whose fees are set by the local licensing authority

The primary purpose of all licenses and permits is to control and regulate some particular activity rather than to produce revenue. At the same time it is reasonable to assume that the licensee should pay a fee sufficient to cover the costs of issuing the license or

permit and also commensurate with the value of the service performed or privilege granted by the town.

We have three recommendations to make. First, we feel the town should amend the by-laws to increase the fees of the building inspector. On petition Article 28 in this year's warrant for the annual town meeting has been inserted covering this matter. We recommend favorable action on this article.

The law places the matter of fees for liquor licenses in the hands of the Selectmen. In studying these fees we find a great variance in different towns. For instance an all alcoholic package store license in Braintree costs \$200.00, in Weymouth \$175.00 and in Milton \$1200.00 a year. We recommend that the Selectmen review all of the alcoholic licenses with a view to increasing particularly the package store and one day wine and beer license fees.

The law allows a fee of not more than 50c for permits issued by the fire department. At present this department makes no charges for over 400 permits issued for the storage of fuel oil, liquified petroleum gas and for the use of dynamite. We recommend that this department charge the authorized 50c fee for these permits.

To get an expression from the town meeting on these matters we offer the two accompanying resolutions and ask that the committee be discharged from further consideration of the matter.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND P. PALMER, Chairman  
JOHN ALDEN  
HUGH B. SNOW

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits be accepted with thanks.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Palmer the adoption of the following resolution was

SO VOTED: Be it resolved that the Selectmen are hereby requested to review the matter of fees charged for liquor licenses in the Town of Braintree with a view to increasing particularly the fees charged for package stores and one day wine and beer permits.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Palmer the adoption of the following resolution was

SO VOTED: Be it resolved that the Fire Department of Braintree is requested to charge the 50c fee authorized by law for permits issued by them.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorized the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1955, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the provisions of Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to bor-



row money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1955, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the provisions of Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1956, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the provisions of Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1956, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with provisions of Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

ARTICLE 5. To see what action the Town will take to establish the salaries of the elective Town Officers.

SO VOTED: That Article 5 be considered in conjunction with Article 6.

MOVED by Mr. Belcher, Chairman of the Personnel Board:

That Article 7 be considered at this time.

SO VOTED.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to amend Schedule A & B of the Salary Administration Plan, as provided under Part I, Section 8 and Part II, Section 2d of said Plan.

MOVED by Mr. Belcher, Chairman of the Personnel Board:

That Schedules A & B be amended so as to read as on the last two pages of the 1955 report of the Personnel Board, copies of which are on file in the Town Clerk's office.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Under Article 2 Mr. Belcher, as Chairman of the Salary Survey Committee, submitted the report of that committee as follows:

You all have a copy of the report of the Personnel Board. In large measure that is also the report of the Salary Survey Committee.

At last year's town meeting we asked that the Salary Survey Committee be continued for another year to complete its work. The work to be done was the preparation of some additions to the Salary Administration Plan (Article 8 of this Warrant) and the classification of all miscellaneous positions (Part V of Schedules A & B).

As is indicated in the printed report the work of classifying the miscellaneous positions is not completed. Therefore the committee requests that *this* report be accepted as a report of progress and that

the Salary Survey Committee be continued for one year.

WILLIAM B. BELCHER  
CARL W. R. JOHNSON  
WILBERT J. KEMMER  
GEORGE C. WANZER, JR.  
ALBERT E. WYNOT

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the report of the Salary Survey Committee be accepted as a report of progress and that the committee be continued in office for one year.

MOVED by Mr. Benson, Chairman of the Finance Committee, the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED that it is the sense of this meeting that step rate increases in pay granted under the Salary Administration Plan, Part 3—Sec. 2, shall be granted only in eight equal steps between minimum and maximum over a total period of seven and one-half years, providing for the first increase after the six months probationary period and annually thereafter.

MOVED by Mr. Moffatt:

That the vote on the resolution by Mr. Benson be by secret ballot.

The Moderator ruled that action on the motion by Mr. Moffatt would be postponed until action came on Mr. Benson's resolution.

MOVED by Mr. J. Libertine:

That the subject matter of Mr. Benson's resolution be tabled until the Adjourned Annual Town Meeting, March 28.

Vote was taken and the Moderator declared the motion by Mr. J. Libertine LOST.

Vote was taken and the Moderator declared the motion by Mr. Moffatt LOST.

Vote was taken and the Moderator declared the motion by Mr. Benson LOST.

MOVED by Mr. Belcher, Chairman of the Personnel Board, the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED that it is the sense of this meeting that step rate increases in pay granted under the Salary Administration Plan, Part 3—Sec. 2, shall be granted only in four equal steps between minimum and maximum over a total period of three and one-half years, providing for the first increase after the six months probationary period and annually thereafter; and further providing that persons in service in the same capacity for a period of twenty-five years shall be advanced immediately to the maximum for the classification, subject to the approval of the Personnel Board.

SO VOTED.

ARTICLE 6. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds to pay interest and maturing debt, and for charges, expenses and outlays of the several



Town Departments and for a Reserve Fund for the ensuing year. (For amounts appropriated, see Town Accountant's Report, Recapitulation.)

## ARTICLE 2.

MOVED by Mr. Laing the adoption of the following resolution:

Be it resolved by the Town Meeting here assembled to urge the Sewer Commissioners to give serious consideration to the urgent need for adequate sewerage in the Highlands Area to the west of Washington Street when next they meet to determine what new construction will be undertaken this year.

SO VOTED.

ARTICLE 7. (As previously noted Article 7 was considered following Article 5.)

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to amend its by-laws by adding to the Salary Administration Plan any or all of the following sections:

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That Article 13B of the Town By-Laws, known as the Salary Administration Plan, be amended by adding to Part I a new Section 10 entitled Severability to read as follows:

Part I, Section 10. SEVERABILITY. The provisions of this by-law are hereby declared to be severable, and if any such provision or the application of any such provision to any person or circumstances shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unconstitutional, such invalidity, illegality, or unconstitutionality shall not be construed to affect the validity, legality, or constitutionality of any of the remaining provisions or the application of said by-law to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is held invalid, illegal or unconstitutional.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That Article 13B of the Town By-Laws, known as the Salary Administration Plan, be amended by adding to Part III a new Section 6 entitled Hours of Work to read as follows:

Part III, Section 6. HOURS OF WORK. All full time employees with the exception of Fire Fighters shall have hours of duty restricted to eight hours in any one day, except in the cases of extraordinary emergency, and the basic work week shall be five 8-hour days totalling 40 hours in all.

Hours of duty of the full time members of the Fire Department shall be established on a 56-hour system basis.

MOVED by Mr. Belcher, Chairman of the Personnel Board:

That Article 13B of the Town By-Laws, known as the Salary Administration Plan, be amended by adding to Part III a new Section 7 entitled Overtime to read as follows:

Part III, Section 7. OVERTIME.

(a) Overtime shall be paid at the rate of time and one-half, or equivalent time off.

(b) No overtime shall be paid to Department Heads, Assistant or Deputy Department Heads, Professional Employees, and others by agreement when hired.

(c) For all other employees, except Fire Fighters, time and one-half for all hours over 8 in one day or over 40 in one week shall be paid, or at the discretion of the Department Head the employee may be given equivalent time off.

(d) For Fire Fighters, time and one-half for all hours over those scheduled for any one day, or over 56 in the work system shall be paid, or at the discretion of the Chief the employee may be given equivalent time off. Call in pay will be at the time and one-half, for a minimum of 1 hour.

(e) Police who perform work for a fee will not have that time counted in either the 8 hours per day or 40 hours per week.

(f) Any employee holding two or more jobs in Town service will have his overtime pay charged to the Department responsible for the overtime.

(g) Voluntary overtime for the benefit of, and at the request of, a fellow employee will excuse the Town from overtime payment.

(h) There shall be no pyramiding of overtime.

Vote was taken and the Moderator being in doubt a teller count was ordered. Count was taken and the tellers reported 125 votes in the affirmative and 28 votes in the negative. There being more than the necessary two-thirds majority in the affirmative the Moderator declared the motion by Mr. Belcher

SO VOTED.

MOVED by Mr. Belcher, Chairman of the Personnel Board:

That Article 13B of the Town By-Laws, known as the Salary Administration Plan, be amended by adding to Part III a new Section 8 entitled Holidays to read as follows:

Part III, Section 8. HOLIDAYS. The following holidays if observed on a work day will be paid for:

New Year's Day	Memorial Day	Columbus Day
Washington's Birthday	Independence Day	Veterans' Day
Patriot's Day	Labor Day	Thanksgiving Day
	Christmas Day	

Employees normally entitled to overtime pay, who are required to work on a holiday that would be a day off with pay, shall receive double pay for such work, or equivalent time off with regular pay, at the discretion of Department Head.

If a holiday falls on Sunday but is observed on the following Monday, it will be paid for.

The Moderator ordered a teller count and the tellers reported 83 votes in the affirmative and 54 votes in the negative. The affirmative vote lacking the necessary two-thirds majority the Moderator declared the motion by Mr. Belcher, Chairman of the Personnel Board, LOST.



(In compliance with Article II, Section 7, of the by-laws notice of intention to move reconsideration of Article 8, Part III, Section 8, Holidays, was filed with the Town Clerk. Refer to Adjourned Annual Town Meeting of April 4, 1955.)

The Moderator ruled that, due to the elimination of Section 8 Holidays, the remainder of the proposed Sections under Article 8 would be renumbered in order to preserve numerical sequence when printed in the By-Laws.

MOVED by Mr. Belcher, Chairman of the Personnel Board:

That Article 13B of the Town By-Laws, known as the Salary Administration Plan, be amended by adding to Part III a new Section 8 entitled Vacations to read as follows:

Part III, Section 8. VACATIONS. The following annual vacations with pay will be granted to fulltime employees after the following periods of continuous employment:

<i>Time Employed</i>	<i>Length of Vacation</i>
6 months up to 1 year	1 week
1 year to 14 years	2 weeks
15 years and over	3-weeks

Regular part-time employees shall be entitled to an amount of vacation in the ratio that their part-time employment bears to the fulltime employment. Vacations with pay shall not be granted temporary employees.

Vacation shall not be cumulative from year to year. Should a holiday fall during the vacation period on a regularly scheduled work day, an additional day of vacation will be allowed.

MOVED the following amendment by Mr. Southworth, Chairman Trustees of Thayer Public Library, to the motion of Mr. Belcher, Chairman of the Personnel Board:

That Section 8 of Part III be amended by adding the following paragraph: "This Section shall not apply to any person employed or to be employed under the Classification of Head Librarian and Librarian."

SO VOTED.

The Moderator ordered a teller count and the tellers reported 108 votes in the affirmative and 28 votes in the negative. There being more than the necessary two-thirds majority in the affirmative the Moderator declared the motion by Mr. Belcher as thus amended.

SO VOTED.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That Article 13B of the Town By-Laws, known as the Salary Administration Plan, be amended by adding to Part III a new Section 9 entitled Leave of Absence to read as follows:

Part III, Section 9. LEAVE OF ABSENCE. Except as otherwise provided in the Salary Administration Plan all leaves of absence shall be without compensation.

MOVED by Mr. Belcher, Chairman of the Personnel Board:

That Article 13B of the Town By-Laws, known as the Salary Administration Plan, be amended by adding to Part III a new Section 10 entitled Leave Of Absence With Pay to read as follows:

Part 111, Section 10. LEAVE OF ABSENCE WITH PAY. No sick leave shall be granted during the first three months of employment.

After three months of continuous employment an employee shall be entitled to sick leave with pay for the following reasons:

Personal illness or injury. Exposure to contagious diseases.

PERIOD OF EMPLOYMENT	SICK LEAVE ALLOWANCE
3 months up to 1 year	Up to six work days
After 1 year	12 work days each year, cumulative to 36 work days.

Loss of time directly attributable to injury incurred while performing assigned duties shall not be charged to sick leave.

Up to three days leave with pay may be allowed for making arrangements and attending the funeral upon the death of an immediate member of the family.

Vote was taken and the Moderator being in doubt a teller count was ordered. Count was taken and the teller reported 109 votes in the affirmative and 31 votes in the negative. There being more than the necessary two-thirds majority in the affirmative the Moderator declared the motion by Mr. Belcher. SO VOTED.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED That Article 13B of the Town By-Laws, known as the Salary Administration Plan, be amended by adding to Part III a new Section II entitled Jury Duty to read as follows:

Part iII, Section II. JURY DUTY. An employee called for jury duty shall be paid by the Town an amount equal to the difference between the compensation paid for a normal working period and the amount paid by the Court, excluding the allowance for travel.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED That Article 13B of the Town By-Laws, known as the Salary Administration Plan, be amended by adding to Part III a new Section 12 entitled Military Training to read as follows:

Employees with more than one year continuous employment by the Town (next prior to the time of performing the service herein referred to) who are required to report for temporary summer or like periods of training in the military forces of the National or Commonwealth, shall be paid an amount equal to the difference between compensation for a normal working period of two weeks and the amount paid for military training. An employee, on request, may combine his military leave with his regular vacation period.



# *Adjourned*

## *Annual and Special Town Meeting*

APRIL 4, 1955

The Adjourned Annual and Special Town Meeting was called to order at 7:53 o'clock in the evening of Monday, April 4, 1955 by the Annual Moderator, Mr. E. Curtiss Mower.

There were 170 Town Meeting Members present.

Prayer for Divine Guidance was offered by Rev. Paul E. Barnes, Pastor, South Congregational Church, South Braintree.

The following Tellers were appointed by the Moderator to serve during the course of the evening:

Harold J. Clancy  
Vinton G. Jones  
Wallace B. Strathdee  
Harold W. Cairns  
Leo J. Hart  
Otis B. Oakman, Jr.  
Ernest S. Reynolds  
Joseph F. Connolly

We now continue with consideration of the Articles in the Warrant; the first order of business being the consideration of the Resolution under Article 2 by Mr. T. Matthews as follows:

### ARTICLE 2.

MOVED the adoption of the following resolution by Mr. T. Matthews.

Be it Resolved, That the Personnel Board be requested to study the salaries of the elected officers of the Town and report their recommendation at the next Annual Town Meeting, and that their findings be submitted to the Finance Committee by February 1, 1956.

MOVED the following amendment by Mr. Belcher, Chairman of the Personnel Board:

That the last phrase of the motion be changed to read as follows: and that their findings be submitted to the Finance Committee by November 1, 1955.

SO VOTED

Comes now the question on the motion by Mr. T. Matthews as thus amended.

SO VOTED

### ARTICLE 3.

Part III, Section 3. Holidays.

MOVED by Mr. Albert Wynot:

That the vote taken on Article 8, Part III, Section 8, Holidays, be reconsidered at this time.

The Moderator ordered a teller count and the tellers reported 69 votes in the affirmative and 94 votes in the negative. There not being the necessary two-thirds majority in the affirmative the Moderator declared the motion by Mr. Albert Wynot LOST.

## ARTICLE 2.

MOVED the adoption of the following resolution by Mr. Hollis of the Board of Selectmen:

Resolved, that the Personnel Board should forthwith study and evaluate the classification of Town Counsel, and that upon the establishment of value the Finance Committee should be requested to transfer from the Reserve Fund an amount necessary to provide adequate compensation; and further, that in connection with such study the Personnel Board should report such revision of the by-law relating to duties and compensation of the Town Counsel as may be necessary to provide for a proportionate contribution to such compensation from revenue departments or recoveries effected by the Town Counsel.

MOVED by Mr. MacMillan:

That the Resolution by Mr. Hollis be laid on the table.

SO VOTED

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to revoke any unused authority of the Water Commissioners to borrow for the construction of a standpipe on Hollingsworth Avenue under the original authorization under Article 24 of the warrant for the annual meeting of 1953.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That any unused authority of the Water Commissioners to borrow for the construction of a standpipe on Hollingsworth Avenue under the original authorization under Article 24 of the warrant for the annual meeting of 1953 be revoked.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to transfer to the Water Department Surplus Account the unexpended balance of \$9,292.33 from the sums actually raised for the construction of a new standpipe under Article 24 of the warrant for the annual meeting of 1953.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED That the town determine that the unexpended balance of \$9, 292.23 from the 1953 appropriation for the construction of a new standpipe consists entirely of funds then voted from the Water Department Reserve, and that said unexpended balance be transferred to the Water Department Surplus account.

ARTICLE II. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the income of the Electric Light Department, the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) for the salaries of the Electric Light Commissioners.

(No action necessary. Refer to recommendation and action under Article 6, Item 50)

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to include in the tax levy for electricity used for street lighting, the sum of Fourteen



Thousand, Five Hundred (14,500.00) Dollars as appropriated under Article 6 of the warrant for the year 1955 annual town meeting, and that said sum together with the income from sales of electricity to private consumers or for current supplied to Municipal buildings or for Municipal power, and from the sales of appliances and jobbing during the current fiscal year to be appropriated for the use of the Municipal Light Plant the whole to be expended under the direction and control of the Municipal Light Board for repairs, renewals, new construction and operating expenses of the Plant for the fiscal year, as defined in Section 57, Chapter 164, General Laws and that if said income shall exceed the expense for the fiscal year such amount of excess as is deemed necessary by the Municipal Light Board shall be transferred to the construction fund of said plant and appropriated and shall be used for such additions to the plant as may thereafter be authorized by the Municipal Light Board and any remaining amount paid into the surplus of the Town Treasury.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

## ARTICLE 2.

MOVED by Mr. Nagle:

That the Moderator appoint a committee of five from the following list of town meeting members:

Donald J. Laing  
Ira R. Young  
John F. Harkin  
Harrison T. Smiley  
Albert E. Wynot

Roger W. Arnold  
George W. Lunn  
John J. Canavan  
Howard R. Beaver  
Frederick J. Klay

To survey and investigate the Braintree Municipal Electric Light Plant's Finances and Operation. To report their findings to the 1956 Town Meeting, or insert an Article, if deemed necessary, in the 1956 town warrant.

MOVED the following amendment by Mr. Benson, Chairman of the Finance Committee:

That the Moderator be permitted to appoint the committee from other than the ten named in the motion.

SO VOTED

Comes now the question on the motion by Mr. Nagle as thus amended.

SO VOTED

ARTICLE 13, To see if the Town will appropriate a sum or sums of money from available funds in the Treasury to be used by the Assessors in determination of Tax Rate for 1955, or take any other action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED No Action.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to assist in defraying the expenses of Memorial Day, or take any other action relative thereto.

(No action necessary. Refer to recommendation and action under Article 6, Item 42.)

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the Braintree Post No. 1702, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States for rent of hall to conduct meetings and other functions of the Post, or take any other action relative thereto.

(No action necessary. Refer to recommendation and action under Article 6, Item 45.)

ARTICLE 16. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to lease to Braintree Post No. 86, American Legion and/or Braintree Post No. 86 American Legion, Incorporated, the Legion Building, so-called, for a term of five years beginning January 18, 1956 at a rental of One Dollar per year, the Town reserving the right to use one room therein for polling purposes, or take any other action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

ARTICLE 17. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds for Civilian Defense, or take any other action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That there be raised and appropriated, the sum of \$2,350.00 for Civilian Defense, said sum to be expended under the direction of the Director of Civilian Defense.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum or sums of money to reimburse Battery "C" 126th AAA AW BN (SP) Mass. N. G. for expenses of drill grounds, firing range and incidental expenses, or take any other action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$450.00 to reimburse Battery "C" 126th AAA AW BN for expenses of drill grounds, firing range and incidental expenses, said sum to be expended by the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to accept General Laws, Chapter 85, Section 11A relative to REGISTRATION and OPERATION OF BICYCLES and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the operation thereunder.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: No Action.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept an act passed by the General Court at the current Session thereof entitled "An Act authorizing the transfer of the Braintree Cemetery Association property and funds to the Town of Braintree," or take any other action relative thereto.

MOVED by Mr. Hollis of the Board of Selectmen:

That the Town accept Chapter 15 of the Acts of 1955 authorizing the transfer of the Braintree Cemetery Association property and funds to the Town.

SO VOTED



ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to abolish Industrial Development Commission created by vote under Article 59 of the warrant for the annual meeting of 1954.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to establish the James W. Colbert Library, to appropriate a sum of money therefor from the funds left for the purpose under the will of James W. Colbert, or take any other action relative thereto.

Mr. Alden submitted the report of the Colbert Trust Fund Study Committee as follows:

The Colbert Trust Fund Study Committee was appointed by the Moderator following a vote of the Annual Town Meeting of 1953 under Article 2 which is recorded as follows:

Mr. Bryant moved: That a Committee of three be appointed by the Moderator to study the advisability of using the Colbert Trust Funds to establish a library for young people and that said Committee render its report at the next Special or Annual Town Meeting. Unanimously carried.

The Colbert Trust Fund referred to is the sum of money bequeathed to the Town under the will of James W. Colbert, which bequest was accepted by the Town at a regularly constituted Town Meeting in 1941. The terms of the bequest as it pertains to the Library Trust Fund are as follows:

Upon the appointment of my Trustee said Trustee shall offer the entire principal of the Trust Fund held by the Trustee or to which it shall be entitled, subject to the trust established in Clause 16, (1), above, to the Town of Braintree, situated in the County of Norfolk, Massachusetts, within (60) repeat days after the appointment of said Trustee, upon the following terms and conditions, to be attached to and made a part of this offer.

(a) That the fund shall be used for a building, books and other equipment of a public library to be located in said Town of Braintree.

(b) That the said Library shall be known as the COLBERT PUBLIC LIBRARY and that the name shall never be changed.

(c) That the Library shall never be a Branch or subsidiary of any other Library in the Town.

(d) That the said Library shall be a separate unit, with a separate Board of Trustees consisting of no more than (6) members and no member shall be chosen who is a Trustee or Officer of any other library in the town.

(e) That the said Town shall vote to accept or reject said offer and conditions attached thereto at a regular or special Town Meeting within (1) year from the date of the offer. If no action is taken by the Town of the acceptance of this gift within the one (1) year period, such failure on the part of the Town to act shall be considered by my Trustee as an irrevocable rejection on the part of said Town.

The status of the fund as of 1 January 1955 was as follows:



Principal from the bequest .....	\$40,443.76
Accumulated interest .....	8,598.76
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Total available .....	\$49,042.52

The Town Treasurer acts as Trustee of this fund.

The report of the previous Committee as presented to the Annual Town Meeting of 1953 by Committee Chairman Henry H. Storm has been a useful reference in the deliberations of this Committee.

Of the several possibilities that have been considered, only one was considered feasible. The following proposal represents the action of the Committee:

To dedicate the existing library at the High School as the James W. Colbert Public Library; to name the School Committee ex-officio as trustees of said Library under the will; augment that Library by books purchased with prior accruals from the fund and then maintain it with the income from the principal of the fund.

This proposal, having been considered favorably by representatives of the School Committee who met in joint session with the Colbert Trust Fund Study Committee for this purpose, was presented to the Braintree School Committee who approved the proposal at a special meeting held Thursday evening, 7 January 1954, subject to the following:

1 Any citizen of the Town would be granted admittance to the James W. Colbert Public Library during any day the school is in session.

2 The Library would also be open in the evening at least three nights a week during the twenty weeks of the evening school session.

3 Whereas the six members of the School Committee would serve as Trustees of the James W. Colbert Public Library, there must be a provision that no Trustee of the Colbert Public Library could at the same time be a Trustee of the Thayer Public Library.

JOHN ALDEN, Chairman  
HAROLD F. ROBINSON, Secretary  
RICHARD A. HUNT

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the report of the Colbert Trust Fund Study Committee be accepted with thanks.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Alden, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the existing library at the Braintree High School be, with the assent of the School Committee, established and dedicated as the "Colbert Public Library" under the terms of the will of the late James W. Colbert; and further, that the said library shall be under the exclusive control of a Board of Trustees, the members of which shall be the members for the time being of the Braintree School Committee serving ex-officio as such Trustees, with full power to draw upon the principal or accumulated income from funds left under said will for said purposes; provided particularly that any member of the School Committee who may at the same time be a Trustee or officer of any other library in the Town shall be disqualified from serving on such Board of Trustees, and provided further that said Trustees may operate and maintain said

Library either at the Braintree High School or at any other public school or schools within said town at their discretion.

ARTICLE 23. (As previously noted Article 23 was considered in conjunction with Item 26 of Article 6.)

ARTICLE 24. To see what sum or sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds for Hydrant Maintenance, or take any other action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$15,525.00; said sum to be paid to the Water Department for Hydrant Service during 1955.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of chlorinating that portion of Sunset Lake comprising the bathing area during the summer of 1955 and designate the department which shall be responsible for such expenditure of such appropriation, or take any other action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$1,900.00 to be expended under the direction of the Water Department for the purpose of chlorinating that portion of Sunset Lake comprising the bathing area during the summer of 1955.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to amend Building Code by-law by adding at end of Part III a new section as follows:

"In all new construction there shall be provided a direct outside exit from the cellar or basement."

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

ARTICLE 27. (As previously noted Article 27 was considered in conjunction with Item 21 of Article 6.)

ARTICLE 28. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to strike out Section 5 of the Building Code of the Town of Braintree and insert in place thereof the following schedule of fees, or take any action pertaining thereto:

First-class buildings, valuation not exceeding	\$5,000.	\$10.00
Second-class buildings, valuation not exceeding	4,000.	7.50
Third-class buildings, valuation not exceeding	3,000.	5.00
Alterations of buildings, and the erection of sheds, garages and like small buildings, valuation not exceeding	1,000.	3.00
Elevators		5.00
Grade of foundations and cellars		3.00
Certificate of Occupancy		3.00

An additional fee of \$1.00 per \$1,000. valuation over the above tables shall be charged; provided, however, that the amount of any fee shall not exceed the sum of Five Hundred (500.00) Dollars.

Fees shall accompany the application and shall be refunded if the permit is not granted.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.



## ARTICLE 2.

MOVED the adoption of the following resolution by Mr. Albee:

Resolved, that it is the wish of this town meeting that a committee of seven (7) be appointed by the Moderator to study and report back to the 1956 annual town meeting or insert any necessary article in the next annual town warrant relative to the advisability of a central purchasing agency or some other appropriate method of coordination for all eligible town departments.

This committee shall have one (1) member from the Personnel Board, one (1) from the Finance Committee, one (1) from the Board of Selectmen and four (4) from the town's voting list.

## SO VOTED

The report of the Planning Board was submitted by Mr. Magaldi, Chairman, in conjunction with the consideration of Articles 29, 30, 31, 32 and 63. The first section of the report is as follows:

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40A of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Planning Board submits this report to the March 1955 Annual Town Meeting.

On Friday, February 4, 1955, the Planning Board caused to be advertised in the Braintree Observer, Articles 29, 30, 31, 32 and 63 as they appear in the Warrant for the March 21, 1955 Annual Town Meeting, giving notice that the Planning Board would hold a public hearing on the said articles which all relate to proposed changes in the Zoning Map and the Zoning By-Law. The notice of the public hearing informed the citizens that maps showing the proposed changes had been posted with the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting and were also available for inspection at the Town Engineer's office in the Town Hall. A notice calling attention to the public hearing appeared in the February 11 and February 18, 1955 issues of the Braintree Observer.

The advertised public hearing was held as scheduled, Thursday evening, February 24, 1955 at the Town Hall. Maps showing all changes proposed in the articles referred to in this report were posted and available at the public hearing. Approximately 100 citizens attended the public hearing, and expressed their views for the consideration of the Planning Board. After due consideration of the arguments for and against the proposed changes and mindful of the best interests of our Community and citizens the Planning Board reports and recommends as follows.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law and the Zoning Map dated May 2, 1940, as amended by providing that the following described area, now classified as a Residence B district be changed to a Business District:—A tract of land in the Northwesterly part of the Town of Braintree adjacent to the City of Quincy-Town of Braintree boundary line containing approximately 190 plus or minus acres, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the junction of Granite Street and the Town of Braintree-City of Quincy boundary line and running Southerly along said Granite Street for a distance of approximately four thousand (4,000) feet, thence turning and running Easterly to Lakeside Drive, along Southerly boundary of Plots No. 2-16 on Assessors' Plan No. 2089 and Plot No. 93 on Assessors' Plan No. 2039, approximately Nine Hundred Twenty



(920) feet, thence continuing Easterly along Lakeside Drive approximately One Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty (1,750) feet, thence turning and running Northerly along the Westerly Boundary line of Plot No. 1 (School Property) as shown on Assessors' Plan No. 2039 approximately Nine Hundred Fifteen (915) feet, thence turning and running Easterly on the Northerly boundary of said Plot No. 1 approximately Four Hundred Eighty (480) feet, thence turning and running Northwesterly on the Northeasterly side of Plots N. 1, 2, 3, and 22 as shown on Assessors' Plan No. 2059 to the Northerly end of Peak Street approximately Nine Hundred Eighty (980) feet, thence turning and running Northerly along the Easterly side of Plots No. 2, 3, and 4 as shown on Assessors' Plan No. 2081 for a distance of approximately One Thousand Four Hundred (1,400) feet to the City of Quincy boundary line, thence turning and running Westerly along the City of Quincy-Town of Braintree boundary lines to the point of beginning for a distance of approximately Three Thousand Six Hundred (3,600) feet.

The foregoing described area is shown in full detail on Assessors' Plans as follows:

Assessors' Plan No. 2039 All land shown thereon except Plot No.1.  
Assessors' Plan No. 2056 Plots Nos. 6-6A-6B and 7 ONLY.

Assessors' Plan No. 2057 Plots Nos. 6-6A-6B-6C-6D-7-8-9-9A-9B-9C-10 and 11 ONLY.

Assessors' Plans Nos. 2058, 2059, 2081 and 2089 ALL LAND SHOWN THEREON.

Mr. Magaldi, Chairman of the Planning Board, submitted that portion of the report of the Planning Board pertaining to Article 29 as follows:

This article proposes a change in the zoning classification of approximately 190 acres of land as described in the article, from Residence B to Business District. Statistics prove conclusively that the residential development of our Town in recent years, has been tremendous and it is still going on. The need for proper housing must be met and properly controlled residential development will continue. It is a known fact that increases in residential development are reflected in higher costs of municipal services including particularly school facilities, police and fire protection and highway maintenance. The problem cannot be treated lightly. An increase in tax revenue from business development is needed. The acceptance of this article will open the way for a business development. Construction of the proposed shopping center and the radio and television facilities would be beneficial to our Community. If this area is left for residential development it would be possible to erect more than 300 homes which in a short time would require school facilities for approximately 600 children in addition to heavy increases in the costs of other municipal services and higher taxes for the home owner. A business development would check such increases and help maintain a reasonable balance. The foregoing facts relative to economic advantages to the Town are informative.

Aside from the economic benefits to be derived from the proposed changes the basic fundamentals as outlined in the General Laws must be complied with. A residential development in this area would tend to overcrowd the land and provide undue concentration of population. It would place a heavy burden on our water and sewerage disposal

systems, thereby endangering the health and welfare of our people. The proposed change would provide for the most appropriate use of the land in question, it would be for the convenience and welfare of our people.

At the public hearing no person registered opposition to the change this article proposes. One citizen favored the change but expressed the desire that his property be excluded from the area to be changed.

This article proposes the change for approximately 190 acres, however, your Planning Board has held several conferences with the Massachusetts Department of Public Works relative to the path of the proposed new route 128 and the Southeast Expressway. It is necessary to see to it that any land which lies in the path of the proposed new highways should be excluded in order to serve the best interests of the people. Zoning change necessarily changes land values. Land damages are paid on the value of the land at the time taking is made and damages resulting from the building of the proposed new highways should not be increased by any zoning changes therefore, in cooperation with the Commonwealth, we are omitting from the proposed change practically all the land within the boundaries of the proposed new highways as they are now tentatively determined.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Magaldi, Chairman of the Planning Board, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED That Paragraph 1 Section 1 of the Zoning By-Law be amended so that the Zoning Map dated May 2, 1940, as most previously amended be changed to provide that the following described area be changed from a Residence B District to a Business District: A tract of land in the northwesterly part of the Town of Braintree adjacent to the City of Quincy Boundary line located between the Lakeside School and Granite Street containing approximately 120 acres plus or minus and shown in complete detail on the following Assessors' Plans:—

Assessors' Plan No. 2039 Plots Numbered 15A, 16 to 46 inclusive, 58 to 72 inclusive, 85 to 93 inclusive.

Assessors' Plan No. 2056 Plots Numbered 6 and 7.

Assessors' Plan No. 2057 Plots Numbered 6, 6A, 6B, 6C, 6D, 7 and 11.

Assessors' Plan No. 2058 Plots Numbered 4 to 31 inclusive, 36, 48 to 62 inclusive, 69, 70, 83 to 133 inclusive, 135, 137, 138 and 139.

Assessors' Plan No. 2081 Plots Numbered 7 and 8.

Assessors' Plan No. 2089 Plots Numbered 12, 13, 15 and 16.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law and the Zoning Map dated May 2, 1940, as amended, by providing that a tract of land on the Northwesterly side of Granite Street, between West Street and the City of Quincy boundary line, containing approximately 211 acres and now zoned Residential A, be changed to Industrial classification. This land includes Plot 1 as shown on Assessors' Plan No. 2053, Plot 1C as shown on Assessors' Plan No. 2043 and Plots Nos. 2, 3, 4, 4A, 5, and 9 as shown on Assessors' Plan No. 2056.

Mr. Magaldi, Chairman of the Planning Board, submitted that portion of the report of the Planning Board pertaining to Article 30 as follows:



This article proposes a change in the zoning classification of approximately 211 acres of land now zoned Residential A to Industrial District. This area is opposite the proposed shopping center area. At the public hearing objections were recorded from land owners on the northerly side of this land who requested that their land be excluded from the proposed change.

Many objections were recorded from land owners on the southerly side of the area who requested the establishment of a buffer zone between the proposed industrial area and the present developed residential area. The wishes of all these interested citizens could and should be granted. The factor which governs our recommendation aside from all other reasons is the fact that the proposed new highway 128 cuts straight through the area with which we are concerned. It not only proposes to divide it but also appears to take practically all the frontage on Granite Street. As mentioned in this report, land damages for land takings are based on the land value at the time of taking, it is evident, as pointed out, that land damages in this particular area, should the zoning change be adopted, would sky rocket to the detriment of the Commonwealth and naturally that means and includes the people of Braintree. We cannot as yet, based on the information we have, set forth a definite buffer zone as has been requested and which we believe should be done. Once the path of route 128 is fixed then it will be possible to create an industrial area on this land adjacent to the new highway but until the route is definitely set we would be guessing and that we do not intend to do. We feel it best to wait until we have more information upon which to base our conclusions as to what part of this area should be industrialized. The Town voted last year to place approximately 360 acres into industrial land area and this has not yet been utilized. No great harm to our Town would result by a little delay, on the contrary delay would be beneficial. Close contact will be kept with this situation and if any quick action be necessary, we feel certain the Selectmen could be called on for necessary assistance.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Magaldi, Chairman of the Planning Board, it was

SO VOTED That Article 30 be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law and the Zoning Map dated May 2, 1940, as amended, by providing that the present Business District, located at the Northwestern corner of Grove and Liberty Streets and consisting of approximately one (1) acre, be extended to include a tract of land bounded and described as follows: On the Northwestern side by Plot 4B, as shown on Assessors' Plan No. 1084, on the Northeasterly side by the Old Colony Railroad, on the Easterly side by Liberty Street, and on the Southerly side by Grove Street, containing approximately 3 acres, and shown as Plot 3, Assessors' Plan No. 1084.

Mr. Magaldi, Chairman of the Planning Board, submitted that portion of the report of the Planning Board pertaining to Article 31 as follows:

This article proposes that the present business district at the northwesterly corner of Grove and Liberty Streets be extended to include approximately 8 acres of adjacent land. At the public hearing only one person registered objection to this change. Several other people



at the hearing were recorded strongly in favor of the proposed change. The reasoning of the Planning Board as set forth in article 29 also applies to this article. The fact that the corner portion of this area containing approximately one acre is now a business district, should be kept in mind. If the proposed super market is constructed on the land now zoned for business, it certainly would be undesirable because it would create congestion and lessen safety because the structure would be necessarily erected close to the corner boundary line making it a blind corner practically as bad as it is now, if not worse. People would have to park their automobiles in the nearby streets and a traffic condition would exist, the correction of which would be difficult. Extension of the present business zone would permit the proposed construction to be set back more than 200 feet from the corner. This setback would also permit construction of an off-street parking area large enough to accommodate close to 250 cars. The hill on the corner would be removed thereby eliminating the blind corner.

The proposed change is not inconsistent with the general characteristics of the area because all four corners of the intersection of Grove and Liberty Streets are now zoned for business. The change would serve the convenience and welfare of the people of our Town.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Magaldi, Chairman of the Planning Board, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED That Paragraph 1 Section 1 of the Zoning By-Law be amended so that the Zoning Map dated May 2, 1940, as most previously amended, be changed to provide that the following described area be changed from a Residence B District to a Business District: The land located at the northwesterly corner of Grove and Liberty Streets bounded on the norwesterly side by Plot 4B as shown on Assessors' Plan No. 1084, on the northeasterly side by the Old Colony Railroad, on the easterly side by Liberty Street, and on the southerly side by Grove Street, containing approximately 8 acres and shown on full detail as Plot No. 3 on Assessors' Plan No. 1084.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law and the Zoning Map dated May 2, 1940, as amended, by providing that the following described area be changed from a Residential F district to an Industrial district, a tract of land containing approximately twelve (12) acres located in the northeasterly section of Braintree on Howard Street, adjacent to the Town of Braintree-City of Quincy boundary line, consisting of Plots No. 12, 13, 14 and 15 as shown on Assessors' Plan No. 3049.

Mr. Magaldi, Chairman of the Planning Board, submitted that portion of the report of the Planning Board pertaining to Article 32 as follows:

This article proposes a change in the zoning of approximately 12 acres of land in the northeasterly section of Braintree on Howard Street near the Quincy Line from Residential B to Industrial District.

At the public hearing no objections were recorded to this proposed change. The land is located in a low area located to the rear of the drive-in theatre and is adjacent to business and industrial areas, and the railroad siding. It is not suitable for residential development and the proposed change would permit the most appropriate use of the land involved.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Magaldi, Chairman of the Planning Board, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED That Paragraph 1 Section 1 of the Zoning By-Law be amended so that the Zoning Map dated May 2, 1940, as most previously amended, be amended, be changed to provide that the following described area be changed from a Residence B to Industrial District: A tract of land containing approximately 12 acres located in the northeasterly section of Braintree on Howard Street, adjacent to the City of Quincy Boundary Line and shown in detail as Plots Nos. 12, 13, 14 and 15 on Assessors' Plan No. 3049.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Magaldi, Chairman of the Planning Board, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED That Article 63 be considered at this time.

ARTICLE 63. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law and the Zoning Map dated May 2, 1940, as amended, by providing that a tract of land at the junction of Shaw and Commercial Streets containing approximately 14,632 sq. ft. be changed from a Residence B district to a Business district. This land is shown as Plot Nos. 14, 15 and 16A on Assessors' Plan No. 3007.

Mr. Magaldi, Chairman of the Planning Board, submitted that portion of the report of the Planning Board pertaining to Article 63 as follows:

This article proposes a zoning change at the junction of Shaw and Commercial Streets from Residence B to Business.

At the public hearing no objections to this proposed change were registered. This land is adjacent to a business district. Use of this property for business or professional offices is not inconsistent with the characteristics of nearby uses of property. The proposed change is desired to encourage the most appropriate use of this land.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Magaldi, Chairman of the Planning Board, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED That Paragraph 1 Section 1 of the Zoning By-Law be amended so that the Zoning Map dated May 2, 1940, as most previously amended, be changed to provide that the following described area be changed from Residential B to Business District: A tract of land at the junction of Shaw and Commercial Streets containing approximately 14,632 sq. ft. and shown in detail as Plots Nos. 14, 15 and 16A on Assessors' Plan No. 3007.

ARTICLES 33. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the purchase, or taking by eminent domain, the premises now occupied by the so-called Braintree Golf Course, together with adjoining lands held by the same owner and appropriate a sum of money therefor together with an additional sum for the purpose of development and maintenance for the premises during the current year, or take any other action relative thereto.

MOVED by Mr. Benson, Chairman of the Finance Committee:

That the Selectmen be authorized to purchase on behalf of the town for park and recreational purposes the property assessed to



Grace Elwell Burnett, now known as the Braintree Golf Course and adjoining lands, containing the following plots as shown on the Assessors' Plans:

Plan 1052 Plots 1, 1A and 3;

Plan 1054 Plots 12 and 13;

Plan 1045 Plot 1;

Plan 1008 Plot 12;

comprising a total of approximately 153 acres, together with the buildings thereon and all machinery and equipment owned by said Burnett and used in the operation of the Golf Course, all to be under the control of the Park and Recreation Board, and that the sum of \$75,000.00 be appropriated for such purchase, and that the further sum of \$15,000.00 be appropriated for the care, maintenance and improvement of the said property during the current year, including salaries and wages and purchase of new equipment therefor.

Vote was taken and the Moderator being in doubt a teller count was ordered. A count was taken and the tellers reported 142 votes in the affirmative and 2 votes in the negative. There being more than the necessary two-thirds majority in the affirmative the Moderator declared the motion by Mr. Benson, Chairman of the Finance Committee

SO VOTED

ARTICLE 34. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds for the acquisition of a site or sites for future playgrounds, or take any other action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED That the Selectmen be authorized to purchase for Park and Playground purposes, a tract of land owned by Campanelli Homes Inc., containing about 1.6 acres of land bound on the north and west sides by Old Cedar Swamp, on the south side by lots 114 and 115, and on the east side by lots 117, 118, 119 and 120 as shown on a plan of The Highlands at Braintree, dated November 1, 1954, for the sum of (\$1.00) one dollar.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED That the Selectmen be authorized to purchase for Park and Playground purposes, a tract of land owned by the Livoli Realty Trust Company containing about one and three-quarters acres of land adjacent to the north side of Lots 21 and 27 inclusive as shown on a plan of Highland Park, dated August 1953, recorded in the Norfolk Registry of Deeds, filed No. 1268—1953 Pl. Bk. 180 September 18, 1953, for the sum of (\$1.00) one dollar.

ARTICLE 35. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds for the acquisition of a site or sites for future schools, or take any other action relative thereto.

MOVED by Mr. Chiesa, Chairman of the School Committee:

(a) That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$2,000.00 for the purchase or taking by eminent domain, which purchase or taking is hereby authorized, for school purposes, of a parcel of land shown as Plot 3 on Assessors' Plan 1098 consisting of 5.15 acres more or less owned by Michael Digaetano.



(b) That control of lot numbered 4 on Assessors' Plan 1098 containing about 1.95 acres off Liberty Street, be transferred to the School Department for school purposes; said parcel having been acquired by the Town through tax title foreclosure.

(c) That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$655.00 for the purchase or taking by eminent domain, which purpose or taking is hereby authorized, for school purposes, of a parcel of land approximately three acres; 200 feet on Liberty Street; 556 feet plus or minus on south side adjacent to lots 3 and 4 on Plan 1098; 210 feet plus or minus on west side, and 760 feet plus or minus on north side, part of Lot 5 on Plan 1098 owned by Knute Ingmanson.

The Moderator ordered a teller count. Count was taken and the tellers reported 132 votes in the affirmative and 1 vote in the negative. There being more than the necessary two-thirds majority in the affirmative the Moderator declared the motion by Mr. Chiesa, Chairman of the School Committee.

SO VOTED

ARTICLE 36. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds for the acquisition of a site or sites for additional park and playground land in the area west of the N.Y., N.H. and H. Railroad tracks between the end of Wynot Road and Georganna Street.

MOVED by Mr. Chiesa, Chairman of the School Committee:

That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$8,122.00 for the purchase or taking by eminent domain which purchase or taking is hereby authorized for playground purposes a tract of vacant land containing about 7 acres as shown on Lot A containing Parcels 1 to 7 on a plan showing proposed playground area March 9, 1955, by J. Warren Cuff, Town Engineer. Acquisition of various Parcels comprising said Lot are authorized at the following prices:

No. 1 Sigurd B. and Therese G. Erickson ....	\$1,706.00
No. 2 Minnie B. Wacks .....	20.00
No. 3 Mona B. Norris .....	2,548.00
No 4 Edward J. and Mary I. Sullivan, and Elizabeth Houchin .....	220.00
No. 5 Yegmar Charles .....	250.00
No. 6 George A. and Margaret E. Ellis .....	2,378.00
No. 7 Doris L. Walorz .....	1,000.00

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MOVED by Mr. Benson, Chairman of the Finance Committee:

That action under Article 36 be postponed until the next Annual Town Meeting.

SO VOTED

# *Adjourned*

## *Annual and Special Town Meeting*

APRIL 11, 1955

The Adjourned Annual and Special Town Meeting was called to order at 7:53 o'clock in the evening of Monday, April 11, 1955, by the Annual Moderator, Mr. E. Curtiss Mower. There were 144 Town Meeting Members present.

Prayer for Divine Guidance was offered by Rev. Fr. James F. Kelleher, Pastor, St. Francis of Assisi R. C. Church, South Braintree.

At the request of the Moderator the assembly stood in a moment of silent tribute to the memory of Town Meeting Member William J. Connell and his wife who both passed away on the evening of April 10, 1955.

The following Tellers were appointed by the Moderator to serve during the course of the evening:

George H. Cain

John Alden

Leo J. Hart

Thomas H. Matthews

George W. Lunn

Harold W. Cairns

Ramon A. Nagle

Carl P. Andre

We now continue with consideration of the Articles in the Warrant; the first order of business being the consideration of Article 37.

### ARTICLE 2.

MOVED the adoption of the following resolution by Mr Albert Wynot:

Resolved, that the Moderator be requested to appoint a committee of three to study the needs for further municipal off-street parking for North Braintree Square and report its findings and recommendations to the 1956 Annual Town Meeting with the authority to insert an article in the warrant for the Town Meeting.

### UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

ARTICLE 37. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of constructing a Junior High School building on the South District site and for originally equipping same; determine how the money shall be provided for, by borrowing by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or take any action relative thereto.

On recommendation of the Finance Committee that the sum of \$1,150,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of constructing a Junior High School building on the Peach Street site in the South District, and for originally equipping and furnishing said building; and that to meet said appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of \$1,150,000.00 under authority of Chapter 645 of 1948 as



amended, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor payable in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than twenty years from the date of issue of the first bond or note; and that the South District Development Committee appointed pursuant to vote under Article 3 of the warrants for the Special Town Meeting of June 28, 1954, be and hereby is authorized to act for and in behalf of the Town with full power to employ architects, secure bids, and let contracts in the name of the Town, and to do all and any acts necessary to construct, equip and furnish said building and grounds within the aforesaid appropriation.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

ARTICLE 38. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds for the purpose of employing architects, preparing working plans, and securing bids for the construction of a new elementary school building in the South District, or take any other action relative thereto.

MOVED by Mr. Chiesa, Chairman of School Committee:

That the sum of \$15,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the preparation of plans, specifications, drawings and reports, and securing bids for the construction of a new elementary school building on the site off Liberty Street in the South District under the direction of the South District Development Committee appointed pursuant to vote under Article 3 of the warrant for the Special Town Meeting of June 28, 1954, with full power to employ architects, consultants, secure bids in the name of the Town and to do all and any acts necessary toward securing the above mentioned plans, specifications, drawings, reports and bids within the aforesaid appropriation and report to the Town at the 1956 Annual Town Meeting or at a Special Town Meeting called earlier, and to meet said appropriation the sum of \$15,000.00 be transferred from available funds in the Treasury.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

ARTICLE 39. ON PETITION. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds for the purpose of improving the lunchroom facilities at the Fenniman School to handle the Class "A" Lunch Program, or take any other action relative thereto.

MOVED by Mr. Benson, Chairman of the Finance Committee:

No action.

MOVED by Mr. Young:

That the sum of \$12,565 00 be raised and appropriated for the purchase and installation of kitchen equipment at the Penniman School.

Vote was taken and the Moderator declared the motion by Mr. Young LOST.

The vote was doubted and, more than seven doubting the vote, the Moderator ordered a teller count. Count was taken and the tellers reported 48 votes in the affirmative and 91 votes in the negative. The



Moderator then declared the motion by Mr. Young LOST.

Comes now the question on the motion by Mr. Benson, Chairman of the Finance Committee.

SO VOTED

ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the installation of a Sprinkler System in the Thomas A. Watson School, or take any other action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the sum of \$5,200.00 be raised and appropriated for the purchase and installation of an automatic spray sprinkler system in the Watson School; said sum be expended under direction of the School Committee, and to meet said appropriation \$5,200.00 be transferred from available funds in the Treasury.

## ARTICLE 2.

MOVED the adoption of the following resolution by Mr. Hollis of the Board of Selectmen:

Resolved, that a committee of three, composed of the Chairman of the Finance Committee, the Superintendent of Schools, and the Chief of the Fire Department, be appointed to investigate the need of sprinkler systems in the schools not now provided with them and report, with recommendations, to the 1956 Annual Town Meeting.

MOVED to amend by Mr. Benson, Chairman of the Finance Committee, as follows:

Resolved, that a committee of three, composed of a member of the Finance Committee appointed by the Moderator, the Superintendent of Schools, and the Chief of the Fire Department, be appointed to investigate the need of sprinkler systems in the schools not now provided with them and report, with recommendations, to the 1956 Annual Town Meeting.

Comes now the question on the amendment by Mr. Benson, Chairman of the Finance Committee.

SO VOTED

Comes now the question on the motion by Mr. Hollis of the Board of Selectmen as thus amended.

SO VOTED

ARTICLE 41. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to sell to John C. Pafford a small piece of land, not in use for highway purposes, on the easterly side of Azel Road, or take any other action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: To authorize the Selectmen to sell to John C. Pafford a small triangular parcel of land lying easterly of Azel Road Extension as accepted at the Annual Town Meeting, but only upon the condition the purchaser pays to the town the sums estimated for betterments on the construction of Azel Road Extension.

ARTICLE 42. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, to be expended under the direction of the South Shore Mosquito Control Project for the eradica-

tion of mosquitoes, or take any other action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the sum of \$5,600.00 be raised and appropriated to be used as the Town's contribution for 1955 to enable it to defray its share of the expenses of the South Shore Mosquito Control Project, and that said sum be transferred from available funds in the Treasury.

ARTICLE 43. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds for the eradication and prevention of "Dutch Elm Disease", so-called, or take any other action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$6,000.00 for the eradication and prevention of "Dutch Elm" disease, said sum to be expended under the direction of Highway Department, and that said sum be raised by transfer from available funds in the Treasury.

ARTICLE 44. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds for "Insect Pest Control", or take any other action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$1,525.00 for "Gypsy Moth" control, \$500.00 of said sum to be for salary of Moth Superintendent and \$1,025.00 to be expended under the direction of said Superintendent in conjunction with Highway Department, said sum of \$1,525.00 to be raised by transfer from available funds in the Treasury.

## ARTICLE 2.

MOVED by Mr. Hunt, Town Counsel:

To take from the table the motion by Mr. Hollis of the Board of Selectmen relative to classification of Town Counsel's salary.

SO VOTED

MOVED by Mr. Hunt, Town Counsel, to amend the motion by Mr. Hollis of the Board of Selectmen:

By striking out everything that appears after "Town Counsel" in the second line so that as amended the motion will read, "That the Personnel Board should forthwith study and evaluate the classification of Town Counsel."

SO VOTED

Comes now the question on the motion by Mr. Hollis of the Board of Selectmen as thus amended.

SO VOTED

ARTICLE 45. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the widening of the bridge on Jefferson Street in addition to sums provided for the purpose under Article 49 of the annual town meeting warrant for 1953, or take any other action relative thereto.



UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That there be raised and appropriated \$4,950.00 for the widening of the bridge on Jefferson Street in addition to the sums provided for the purpose under Article 49 of the Annual Town Meeting warrant for 1953.

ARTICLE 46. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money as its share of the cost of dredging the Weymouth Fore River from the Metropolitan Yacht Club to the head of navigation, or take any other action relative thereto.

MOVED by Mr. Benson, Chairman of the Finance Committee:

That Article 1 of the Special Town Meeting be taken up in conjunction with Article 46.

SO VOTED

ARTICLE 1. (Special Town Meeting): To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money as its share of the cost of dredging the Weymouth Fore River from the Metropolitan Yacht Club to the head of navigation and to assume liability as provided by Section 29 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws, for damages incurred by work performed thereon by the Department of Public Works, or take any other action relative thereto.

MOVED by Mr. Benson, Chairman of the Finance Committee:

That the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000.00 to be paid to the State Treasurer as the town's share of the cost of dredging the channel of the Weymouth Fore River from the Metropolitan Yacht Club to the head of navigation; said sum to be paid only upon the contribution to the cost of said project by the State of 75% of the total cost, and the necessary balance by the Town of Weymouth and the Braintree Electric Light Department.

And further, that the town, through its Selectmen, assume liability for damages to property suffered by any taking of land or right therein; all in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 29 of Chap. 91, General Laws.

SO VOTED

(In compliance with Article II, Section 7, of the by-laws notice of intention to move reconsideration of Article 1 of the Special Town Meeting was filed with the Town Clerk. Refer to action later in this session.)

MOVED by Mr. Benson, Chairman of the Finance Committee:

That Article 62 be considered at this time.

SO VOTED

ARTICLE 62. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds for the purpose of connecting the Norfolk County Hospital with the sewerage system, or take any other action relative thereto.

MOVED by Mr. Benson, Chairman of the Finance Committee:

That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$14,000.00 for the construction of additional sewers under the direction of the Sewer Commissioners for the purpose of connecting the Norfolk County Hospital sewer with the Braintree system at the Hospital property line. To meet

said appropriation the sum of \$7,825.00 be transferred from available funds in the Treasury and the balance of \$6,175.00 be raised in the tax levy.

#### UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

ARTICLE 47. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of enclosing the Smelt Brook, so-called, or a portion thereof, or take any other action relative thereto.

#### UNANIMOUSLY VOTED No action.

ARTICLE 48. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for Town Ways, streets listed below, laywouts of which were approved by the Planning Board in accordance with Chapter 41 G. L. Sec. 81K to 81Y, said approved plans being on file in the office of the Town Engineer:

NAME OF	DATE	DISTANCE FOR ACCEPTANCE
Baker Avenue	Nov. 1954	654' from Union Street to End.
Joseph Road	Jan. 1954	1,368' from Common Street to Francine Road.
Francine Road	Jan. 1954	675' from Walnut Street to Alfred Road.
Alfred Road	Jan. 1954	960' from Joseph Road to End.
Nicholas Road	Jan. 1954	841' from Common Street to Francine Road.
Herbert Road	Jan. 1954	576' from West Street to end of construction.
Farm Road	Oct. 1953	367' from Arnold Street to End.
Cindy Lane	Oct. 1953	350' from Farm Road to End.
Cypress Street	Dec. 1952	415' from 102' S. E. of Magnolia Street to End.
Poplar Street	Dec. 1952	254' from Cypress Street to End.
Tingley Road	Feb. 1952	530' from 89' S. W. of Cypress Street to End.
Wilmarth Road Ext.	Sept. 1952	158' from End of L. O. to End.
Nickerson Road Ext.	Feb. 1952	210' from 1928 L. O. to Tingley Road.
Tingley Road	Feb. 1952	630' from Linden Street to Line of Rindone.
Weston Court	April 1952	241' from Weston Avenue to End.
Linden Street	Feb. 1952	125' from 1941 Acceptance to Tingley Road.
Tingley Circle	Feb. 1952	222' from Tingley Road to End.
Conrad Street	Oct. 1947	575' from Roberts Street to Elmlawn Road.
Bestick Road	Aug. 1952	300' from Station Road South.
Woodedge Avenue	Jan. 1950	785' from South Street to Woodside Ave.
Woodedge Circle	Jan. 1950	180' to End.
Woodedge Lane	Jan. 1950	330' to End.
Old Country Way	Jan. 1950	360' from South Street.
Old Country Way	Jan. 1950	240' between Lots 34 and 36.
Woodside Avenue	Jan. 1950	1,005' from Old Country Way to Old Country Way.
Howie Road	Nov. 1952	175' from Worthington Circle to 1945 Acceptance.
Portland Road	Nov. 1950	250' from 1953 Acceptance to the end of Lot 79.



Haley Avenue	Jan. 1952	225' from Sheppard Avenue 225' East.
Plymouth Avenue	Nov. 1949	836' from Arbutus to Brewster Avenue.
Lake Street Ext.	June 1952	447' from 1950 Acceptance to End.
Wnithrop Avenue	Nov. 1949	815' from Arbutus to Brewster Avenue.
Conrad Street	Nov. 1949	541' from Elmlawn Road to Blanchard Blvd.
Sycamore Road	Nov. 1949	380' from 1947 Acceptance to End.
Livoli Avenue	Nov. 1952	1,950' from Division Street to End.
Cain Avenue	Nov. 1952	580' from Water Street North.
Lawson Lane	Nov. 1952	365' from Cain Avenue to Paul Street.
Paul Street	Nov. 1952	740' from Water Street to Livoli Avenue.
Water Street	Nov. 1952	1,080' from Washington Street to Livoli Avenue.
Deigan Avenue	Nov. 1952	370' from Cain Street to Paul Street.
Strathmore Circle	Oct. 1950	925' from Penniman Terrace Ext. to Strathmore Road.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Benson, Chairman of the Finance Committee, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: The acceptance of the streets as listed below with the distances indicated:

NAME OF STREET	DISTANCE FOR ACCEPTENCE
Joseph Road	1,368' from Common Street to Francine Road.
Francine Road	675' From Walnut Street to Alfred Road.
Alfred Road	960' from Joseph Road to End.
Nicholas Road	841' from Common Street to Francine Road.
Herbert Road	576' from West Street to end of construction.
Cindy Lane	350' from Farm Road to End.
Cypress Street	415' from 102' S. E. of Magnolia Street to End.
Poplar Street	254' from Cypress Street to End.
Tingley Road	350' from 89' S. W. of Cypress Street to End.
Wilmarth Road Ext.	158' from End of 1929 L. O. to End.
Nickerson Road Ext.	210' from 1928 L. O. to Tingley Road
Tingley Road	630' from Linden Street to Line of Rindone.
Weston Court	241' from Weston Avenue to End.
Linden Street	125' from 1941 Acceptance to Tingley Road.
Tingley Circle	222' from Tingley Road to End.
Conrad Street	575' from Roberts Street to Elmlawn Road.
Bestick Road	300' from Station Road South.
Woodedge Avenue	785' from South Street to Woodside Avenue.
Woodedge Circle	180' to End.
Woodedge Lane	330' to End.
Old Country Way	360' from South Street.
Old Country Way	240' between Lots 34 and 36.
Woodside Avenue	1,005' from Old Country Way to Old Country Way.
Howie Road	175' from Worthington Circle to 1945 Acceptance.
Portland Road	250' from 1953 Acceptance to the end of Lot 79.
Haley Avenue	225' from Sheppard Avenue 225' East.
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Livoli Avenue	1,950' from Division Street to End.
Cain Avenue	580' from Water Street North.
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Paul Street	740' from Water Street to Livoli Avenue.
Water Street	1,080' from Washington Street to Livoli Ave.
Deigan Avenue	370' from Cain Street to Paul Street.
Strathmore Circle	925' from Penniman Terrace Ext. to Strathmore Road.

## ARTICLE 2.

MOVED the adoption of the following resolution by Mr. Benson, Chairman of the Finance Committee:

Resolved, that the Moderator appoint a committee of three (3), one of whom shall be a member of the Finance Committee, to study the methods in use and possible improved methods of assessing betterments on street and highway construction; said Committee to report to the 1956 Annual Town Meeting after submitting a copy of their report to the Finance Committee not later than February 1, 1956.

## UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

ARTICLE 49. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, Veranda Road for approximately 200 feet westerly from Marietta Avenue as laid out by the Selectmen, or take any other action relative thereto.

## UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

ARTICLE 50. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, Lakeside Drive approximately 1,290 feet from the present acceptance, as laid out by the Selectmen and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of same, or take any other action relative thereto.

MOVED by Mr. Hollis, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen:

That the Town accept as and for a town way Lakeside Drive approximately 1,290 feet in a westerly direction from the present point of acceptance as laid out by the Selectmen, and that the sum of Five thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars be appropriated for the installation of water mains in said street, and that betterments be assessed therefor to the extent of 66-2/3 per cent of the actual cost.

MOVED by Mr. Benson, Chairman of the Finance Committee, to amend the motion by Mr. Hollis of the Board of Selectmen:

That the sum of \$14,304.00 be added to the motion for the purpose of improving the street.

Vote was taken and the Moderator declared the amendment by Mr. Benson, Chairman of the Finance Committee, LOST.

Comes now the question on the motion by Mr. Hollis of the Board of Selectmen.

The Moderator ordered a teller count. Count was taken and the tellers reported 61 votes in the affirmative and 52 votes in the negative. There not



being the necessary two-thirds majority in the affirmative the Moderator declared the motion by Mr. Hollis of the Board of Selectmen LOST.

ARTICLE 1. (Special Town Meeting.)

MOVED by Mr. Palmer:

That the vote taken on Article 1 of the Special Town Meeting be reconsidered at this time.

At this point Mr. Hollis of the Board of Selectmen doubted the presence of a quorum. The list of Town Meeting Members was polled by the Town Clerk and, as a result, the Moderator announced that 121 Town Meeting Members were present which constituted a quorum.

Comes now the question on the motion by Mr. Palmer that the vote taken on Article 1 of the Special Town Meeting be reconsidered at this time.

The Moderator ordered a teller count. Count was taken and the tellers reported 40 votes in the affirmative and 75 votes in the negative. There not being the necessary two-thirds vote in the majority the Moderator declared the motion by Mr. Palmer LOST.

ARTICLE 51. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, Massachusetts Avenue between Washington Street and Arbutus Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of same, or take any other action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town accept as and for a Town Way, Massachusetts Avenue between Washington Street and Arbutus Avenue as laid out by the Selectmen and that there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$11,386.75 for improvement of the same, and that betterments to the extent of 66-2/3% of the cost be assessed on abutting estates.

ARTICLE 52. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, Thayer Road, so-called, beginning at the corner of Shaw and Allen Streets and extending to and including No. 79 Thayer Road, as laid out by the Selectmen and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of same, or take any other action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town accept as and for a Town Way, Thayer Road so-called, beginning at the Corner of Shaw and Allen Streets and extending to and including No. 79 Thayer Road as laid out by the Selectmen and the sum of \$4,442.75 be raised and appropriated for improvement of the same, and that betterments to the extent of 66-2/3% of the cost be assessed on abutting estates.

ARTICLE 53. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to accept as and for a Town Way, Sagamore Street approximately 200 feet easterly from the present acceptance, as laid out by the Selectmen and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of same, or take any other action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Town accept as and for a Town Way, Sagamore Street approximately 200 feet easterly from the present acceptance, as laid out by the Selectmen and the sum of \$1,034.25 be raised and appropriated for improvement of the same and that betterments to the extent of 66-2/3% of the cost be assessed on abutting estates.

ARTICLE 54. ON PETITION. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the construction of a sidewalk and curbing on the southerly side of Academy Street from Tremont Street for a distance of approximately 680 feet easterly, or take any other action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$2,983.60 for the construction of a sidewalk and curbing on the southerly side of Academy Street from Tremont Street for a distance of approximately 680 feet easterly, and that betterments to the extend of 50% of the cost thereof be assessed on abutting estates.

ARTICLE 55. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the construction of sidewalks on any or all of the following streets under the Betterment Act or otherwise, or take any other action relative thereto.

Shaw Street from Dewey Road to Somerville Avenue.

Lincoln Street from Liberty Street to the new school known as the Perkins Annex.

Willard Street from Stetson Street to the new school known as the Perkins Annex.

Faxon Street, westerly side from Commercial Street to Stetson Street.

Stetson Street from Brookside Road to Elliot Street.

Arborway Drive from Vinedale Road to existing sidewalk.

Audubon Avenue from Quincy Avenue to Argyle Road.

Cotton Avenue from about No. 62 to Quincy Avenue.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: No action.

ARTICLE 56. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$475.00 for repairs at the First Parish Cemetery, or take any other action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

ARTICLE 57. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds to meet the payment of certain bills contracted prior to January 1, 1955, or take any other action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$50.28 to meet the payment of certain unpaid liabilities incurred prior to January 1, 1955.

School Department:

Gile Service Station .....	\$17.64
Business Education film .....	4.14
Esso Standard Oil .....	28.50
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	\$50.28

ARTICLE 2.

Dr. Rizzo, Chairman of the Incineration Committee, submitted the report of the committee as follows:

It was voted under Article 2 of the 1954 Annual Town Meeting: "That the Moderator appoint a Committee of five to prepare a study of the value and need of incineration of the town of Braintree. This Committee



shall be instructed to prepare a report and if deemed advisable, insert an article in the 1955 Annual Town Warrant, asking for funds to construct a Town or Regional incinerator."

This Committee held 7 meetings, during which time various methods of waste disposal were studied. The correlation of this information, along with the following three items:

The location of the new Expressway,  
Act 1687—Control of open dumps, by the Commonwealth,  
and New industry

have placed many variables to the proper solution for this town. As land suitable for dumping, or land fill becomes exhausted or is encroached upon by residential or industrial building, either out-of-town disposal sites or new methods of disposal become imperative.

The Committee recommends that the town take no action on the matter at this time other than to continue the Committee to keep this matter under study and report to the next Annual Town Meeting or Special Town Meeting if deemed advisable.

DR. B. RIZZO, Chairman  
A. WILLIAM ALBERT  
GEORGE H. CAIN  
DONALD J. LAING  
RAMON A. NAGLE

SO VOTED: That the report of the Incineration Committee be accepted as a report of progress and that the committee be continued.

ARTICLE 58. To see what sums of money in addition to that appropriated under any other article the Town will vote to raise or borrow and appropriate for Land Damages.

(No action necessary. Refer to recommendation and action under Article 6, Item 14.

ARTICLE 59. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to appropriate for the purpose of the Stabilization Fund under the authority of Section 5B of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: No action.

ARTICLE 60. To see what disposition the Town will vote to make of the income of the Thayer Fund.

(No action necessary. Refer to recommendation and action under Article 6. Item 34-36.)

ARTICLE 61. To see if the Town will authorize the sale of a portion of the parcel acquired for the Town Dump covering a tract of land approximately twenty (20) acres abutting on Ivory Street, and to determine the minimum price for which and the manner in which it shall be sold, or take any other action relative thereto.

SO VOTED: No action.

ARTICLE 2. (Special Town Meeting.): To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the construction of Sidewalks

and Curbing, on both sides or either sides, of Brookside Road under the Betterment Act or otherwise, or take any other action relative thereto.

SO VOTED: No action.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Benson, Chairman of the Finance Committee, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the vote taken under Article 2 of the Special Town Meeting be reconsidered.

Mr. Pendleton, resident of Brookside Road, spoke on conditions in the area.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Benson, Chairman of the Finance Committee, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: (10:20 P. M.) That there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$7,237.00 for the construction of a sidewalk and curbing on both sides of Brookside Road and that betterments to the extent of 50% of the cost thereof be assessed on abutting estates.

ARTICLE 3. (Special Town Meeting.): To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to cover the cost of surfacing a Sidewalk on Grove Street from Plain Street to Liberty Street provided the State contributes the necessary cost of constructing Curbing and Foundation for the sidewalk, or take any other action relative thereto.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: No action.

ARTICLE 4. (Special Town Meeting.): To see if the Town will vote to purchase or take by Eminent Domain, for Cemetery Purposes, all or any part of Plot Nos. 3, 5, 6, 6A, 8, 11, 11A, and 12 on Assessors' Plan No. 1038, or take any other action relative thereto.

MOVED by Mr. Benson, Chairman of the Finance Committee:

No action

SO VOTED

ARTICLE 2.

MOVED by Mr. Magaldi, Chairman of the Planning Board, the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, that a committee of five be appointed by the Moderator to study the advisability of having a Town Cemetery; said committee to report not later than January 1, 1956, with recommendations and if necessary submit articles to be inserted in the next Annual or Special Town Meeting.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED:

ARTICLE 2.

MOVED by Mr. Hollis of the Board of Selectmen the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, E. Curtiss Mower, our Moderator, has conducted the several sessions of our 1955 Town Meeting in his usual extremely fair and impartial manner, and



WHEREAS, our new Town Clerk, Carl R. Johnson, Jr., has recorded for posterity accurately the proceedings, and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee under the able direction of its Chairman, Paul W. Benson, has done such outstanding and efficient work as to acquaint our membership of the various and sundry problems confronting our Town in a most fair and impartial manner, and

WHEREAS, Radio Station WJDA of Quincy has cooperated with the citizens of our Town by broadcasting each session verbatim on the day following each session to the comfort, benefit and enjoyment of our shut-ins and general public, and

WHEREAS, the Quincy Patriot Ledger has reported the proceedings most accurately and efficiently and without bias, and

WHEREAS, the Observer has also done an outstanding job of recording and reporting accurately the proceedings of the several sessions, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Town Meeting Members of Braintree, as our sessions come to a close, sincerely thank each and every one referred to above for the kindness, consideration and accuracy of the proceedings of the 1955 Town Meeting.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

Appropriations to be raised by taxation .....	\$3,536,479.83
Appropriations not in tax levy .....	1,749,654.30
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Total Appropriations	\$5,286,134.13

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Benson, Chairman of the Finance Committee, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Annual and Special Town Meeting stand adjourned.

Committee reports and resolves as incorporated in Town Meetings Records.





REMODELED TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE



# Jury List

AS PREPARED BY THE SELECTMEN

## Name - Address

Abt, Milton, 227 Hayward St.  
 Ackerson, Robert E., 30 Staten Rd.  
 Adams, Sidney T., 57 Wilkins Rd.  
 Ainsleigh, Jack R., 71 Arborway Drive  
 Alden, John, 16 Arbutus Ave.  
 Alexander, Thomas, 508 Elm St.  
 Allen, Ernest D., 293 Middle St.  
 Allen, George R., 327 Middle St.  
 Allsopp, Harry T., 2 Blake Rd.  
 Back, Edna C., 51 Holmes St.  
 Bacon, Francis P., 106 Arborway Dr.  
 Bacon, Robert E., 33 Glenrose Ave.  
 Bailey, Frank N., 3 Harrison Ave.  
 Baker, Albert L., 38 Staten Rd.  
 Baldwin, Charles W., 100 Bellevue Rd.  
 Balfour, James, 37 Judson St.  
 Barrett, Francis P., 15 Carter Rd.  
 Barrett, Joseph P., 31 Elmlawn Rd.  
 Barrrett, Robert J., 16 Frederick Rd.  
 Barron, Thomas F., 16 French Ave.  
 Basile, Frank, 519 Pond St.  
 Bates, Henry F., 35 Fairview Ave.  
 Bates, Marjorie, 25 Cochato Rd.  
 Bekkanhuis, Shirley May, 60 Bestick Rd.  
 Belbin, Gordon E., 26 Thayer Rd.  
 Belmayne, Colin B., 306 Middle St.  
 Belyea, Harry Mansfield, 40 Mt. Vernon Ave.  
 Bennett, Charles M., 33 Cochato Rd.

## Name - Address

Alves, Gordon, 16 Linden St.  
 Amann, Robina N., 20 Trafton Dr.  
 Anderson, George, 105 Cotton Ave.  
 Andre, Carl P., 15 Bickford Rd.  
 Andrews, Harrison B., 12 Kew Rd.  
 Archer, David M., 48 Whittier Rd.  
 Arnold, Roger, 242 Middle St.  
 Ayer, Helen A., 257 Tremont St.  
 Bergman, Walter L., 386 Pearl St.  
 Bergstrom, Gustaf H., 59 Marshall St.  
 Berquist, Arthur A., 40 Cleveland Ave.  
 Black, Hollis M., 61 Edgemont Rd.  
 Bloom, Leonard M., 11 Poplar St.  
 Blummer, Robert, 13 Hamilton St.  
 Boyle, James F., 12 Paul Ave.  
 Bonner, George J., 14 Judson St.  
 Brackett, George A., 3rd, 94 Peach St.  
 Bradley, George L., 26 Judson St.  
 Brandt, Philip F., 21 Maple St.  
 Brawley, Anthony T., 12 Beech St.  
 Brock, Walter M., 34 Weston Ave.  
 Brow, George F., 20 Oak St. E.  
 Buckawicki, Anthony W., 44 Plymouth Ave.  
 Buckley, James G., 187 Hollinsworth Ave.  
 Burns, Clara C., 98 Stetson St.  
 Burns, David E., 48 Lakeview Ave.  
 Butterworth, Walter J., 14 Washington Pk. Rd.

*Name - Address*

Cahill, John H., 11 Jersey Ave.  
 Campanelli, Michael, 44 Ellsmore Ter.  
 Campbell, Gertrude D., 33 Harbor Villa Ave.  
 Carlino, Angelo M., 9 Hoover Ave.  
 Carr, Charles F., 1 Circuit Rd.  
 Carten, Ernest, 123 Elmlawn Rd.  
 Casale, Lawrence J., 100 Hawthorn Rd.  
 Cassidy, Joseph P., 79 Bellevue Rd.  
 Centorino, Anthony J., 630 Pond St.  
 Champagne, Roger R., 498 Pearl St.  
 Chatfield, Ella R., 45 Hawthorn Rd.  
 Christofi, Francis A., 294 Union St.

Dacey, William F., 195 Elm St.  
 DeCoste, Andrew E., 30 Cooolide Ave.  
 DeCoste, Edwin G., 11 Hillcrest Rd.  
 Delaney, Louise M., 39 Hobart Ave.  
 Delaney, John W., 39 Hobart Ave.  
 Delaney, Thomas A., 520 Elm St.  
 Derby, Elmer G., 2 Wildwood Ave.  
 Dhooge, Mary L., 40 Front St.  
 Dobbryn, Dorothy R., 162 Park St.  
 Donahue, Daniel R., 294 Middle St.  
 Donahue, Patrick T., 491 Washington St.

Eagan, Paul E., 44 Elmwood Park  
 Eisenhauer, Clarence C., 26 Georganna St.  
 Elliott, Walter C., 101 Prospect St., N.  
 Elliott, John, 29 Marshall St.

Ferrante, Silvio, 286 Hayward St.  
 Ferranti, Steven, 105 Pond St.  
 Flynn, Joseph A., 29 No. Bowditch St.

*Name - Address*

Clancy, Harold J., 5 Birchcroft Rd.  
 Clapp, A. Warren, 90 Commercial St.  
 Cleaves, Eugene T., 21 Ash St.  
 Clergy, John W., 15 Hobart St.  
 Cohoon, Emma A., 50 Wilkins Rd.  
 Connelly, John N., 192 Hollingsworth Ave.  
 Copp, Isabelle D., 408 Washinton St.  
 Crowe, John B., 18 Mann St.  
 Cummings, Marie K., 9 Talbot Rd.  
 Curry, John F., 409 Pearl St.  
 Cutler, A. Cushing, 94 Colby Rd.

Donohue, John F., Jr., 45 Water St.  
 Donovan, Gail I., 85 Prospect St. N.  
 Downey, Francis V., 50 Hickory Rd.  
 Downs, Alice Frances, 16 Strathmore Circle  
 Doyle, Edward L., Jr., 118 Peach St.  
 Drake, Arthur K., 64 Cleveland Ave.  
 Drinkwater, Lillian M., 64 Church St.  
 Driscoll, Kathleen E., 408 Union St.  
 Driver, Frederick W., 398 Pearl St.  
 Dugan, Mary E., 78 Cedarcliff Rd.  
 Dyer, Warren W., 684 Washington St.

Ellis, Chester O., 117 Adams St.  
 Embree, Leonard W., 61 Columbus Ave.  
 Eno, Viola, 92 Tremont St.  
 Erickson, E. Maurice, 61 Hawthorn Rd.

Foley, Paul P., 10 Livoli Ave.  
 Frazier, Lawrence B., 50 Front St.  
 Frazier, Stephen M., 39 Jersey Ave.



*Name - Address*

Gage, Gardner M., 30 Sheraton Ave.  
 Gammons, J. Ellis, 157 Wildwood Ave.  
 Glassett, Robert J., 329 Commercial St.  
 Goldberg, Oscar, 135 Arnold St.  
 Goodwin, George H., Jr., 30 Washington St.  
 Gordon, Joseph F., 90 Arbutus Ave.  
 Habeeb, Isabelle H., 22 Nickerson Rd.  
 Haley, Charles Vincent, 65 Prospect St.  
 Hallett, Milton B., 7 Victoria Ave.  
 Halpin, James P., 34 Brow Ave.  
 Hendrie, Robert E., 91 Walnut St.  
 Hill, Mervin B., 57 Liberty St.  
 Hixon, Virginia A., 37 Parkside Circle  
 Holbrook, George E., 48 Jersey Ave.  
 Holbrook, Lowell S., 42 Holbrook Ave.  
 Johnson, Raymond V., 90 Edgehill Rd.  
 Jones, Robert T., 189 Wildwood Ave.  
 Keith, Bertram G., Jr., 85 Walnut Ave.  
 Kendrick, William T., 539 Union St.  
 Kilbrith, Harold E., 78 Trefton Drive  
 LaMarine, Francis A., 817 Washington St.  
 Lambert, John J., 41 Beechwood Rd.  
 Landrey, Joseph C., 49 Central Ave.  
 Lathrop, Durant E., 19 Trefton Drive  
 Law, Reginald T., 7 Parkside Ave.  
 Lazarus, Robert R., 41 Robinson Ave.  
 Leggett, Constance S., 310 Tremont St.  
 McDonnell, Margaret C., 210 Allan St.  
 Mack, Robert L., 3 Woodedge Circle  
 MacWilliam, Alexander F., Jr., 38 Holden Rd.

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Gorham, Mathias A., 23 Boscabel St.  
 Grady, Charles M., 54 Arbutus Ave.  
 Gray, Marietta S., 61 Robinson Ave.  
 Grondin, Robert O., 111 Arborway Drive  
 Gnnville, Louis B., 54 Brookside Rd.  
 Hollis, Donald A., 607 Washington St.  
 Holmes, Mary C., 11 Birchoft Rd.  
 Hope, Virginia N., 177 Glenrose Ave.  
 Howes, George E., 487 Washington St.  
 Huleatt, Helen M., 273 Middle St.  
 Hutchings, Calvin L., 56 Bestick Rd.  
 Hutchinson, Thomas A., 40 Morrison Rd.  
 Hutton, Robert M., 8 Lincoln St.  
 Julian, Frank T., 24 Willow St.  
 Kilory, Mary J., 170 Arnold St.  
 King, Robert L., 439 Commercial St.  
 Kuhn, Albert J., 62 Holmes St.  
 Litchfield, Alan C., 31 Newton Ave.  
 Logan, Samuel M., 95 Commercial St.  
 Longfellow, Ralph G., 450 Grove St.  
 Lorusso, Michael A., 40 Rose Ave.  
 Low, William H., 59 Cleveland Ave.  
 Lucas, Angie, 241 Plain St.  
 Lydon, George A., 268 Quincy Ave.  
 Mahoney, James H., 12 Poplar St.  
 Mansfield, Arthur R., 128 Beechwood Rd.  
 Marr, Helen B., 100 President Rd.

*Name - Address*

Mattie, James T., 660 Commercial St.  
 Mattie, Walter J., Jr., 57 Magnolia St.  
 McCue, James P., 7 Wainwright St.  
 McCusker, Helen D., 27 Roberts St.  
 McDonald, Hugh W., 49 Edgehill Rd.  
 McDonough, Michael J., 7 Spencer St.  
 McDonough, Patrick E., 71 Winthrop Ave.  
 McKenna, George R., 127½ Plain St.  
 McLaughlin, J. Stanley, 334 Middle St.  
 McLennan, George A., 74 Beech St.  
 McPhee, F. Elmer, 89 Hobart St.  
 McPherson, Robert A., Jr., 23 No. Bowditch St.

Neary, William J., 30 Lisle St.  
 Needham, Howard E., 19 Miller St.  
 Nelson, Carl G., 33 Nelson St.  
 Nickson, Charles E., 19 Liberty St.  
 Nordstrom, Lillian, 47 Talbot Rd.

O'Brien, John J., 110 Liberty St.  
 O'Connor, Patrick P., 16 Phillips St.

Pierce, Ellen F., 88 Brow Ave.  
 Potter, William H., 25 Elm Knoll Rd.

Rafuse, Murray G., 10 Abbott St.  
 Reader, Ralph B., 43 Pleasant View Ave.  
 Rene, Alfred A., 11 Pond St.  
 Rennie, Alfred A., 27 Faxon St.  
 Rhoades, William R., 5 Bonnieview Rd.  
 Richards, Percy T., 362 Commercial St.  
 Richards, Stanley H., Jr., 33 Hickory Rd.  
 Riendeau, Sylvio, 87 Central Ave.

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McSharry, Mary E., 59 Academy St.  
 Metayer, Edward A., 33 Arthur St.  
 Miller, Penrose R., 92 Brewster Ave.  
 Mitchell, Robert J., 32 Tingley Rd.  
 Mitchell, William E., 16 Tenney Rd.  
 Mitchelson, Alexander, 169 Liberty St.  
 Morrisey, Edward J., 61 Sagamore St.  
 Morrison, Paul B., 124 Stetson St.  
 Moynihan, Henry J., 46 Sagamore St.  
 Mulcahy, Joseph W., 111 Hollingsworth Ave.  
 Murch, Russell S., 194 Commercial St.  
 Milner, A. Murray, 40 Harrison Ave.

Noren, Carol P., 47 Pleasant St.  
 Noren, Herbert E., 47 Pleasant St.  
 Northup, Emil N., 366 Liberty St.  
 Nott, Warren B., Jr., 62 Woodside Ave.  
 Novio, Francis A., 32 Hoover Ave.

O'Neill, John J., 18 Elm Knoll Rd.  
 O'Rourke, Francis J., 39 Columbus Ave.

Powers, Rodney C., 146 Parkside Ave.

Roberts, Theron M., 144 Liberty St.  
 Rose, Howard J., 19 Spruce St.  
 Rosier, Arthur F., 641 Commercial St.  
 Ross, Albert W., 527 Granite St.  
 Rouleau, Edward A., 49 Hobart Terrace  
 Rouse, John L., 52 Ledgewood Rd.  
 Rowe, William, 74 Arborway Drive  
 Russo, John S., 17 West St.



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Schatzel, William M., 65 Standish Ave.  
Sheehan, Francis P., 15 Howard Ct.  
Sittinger, Frieda C., 158 Edgehill Rd.  
Sittinger, Rudolph L., 158 Edgehill Rd.  
Smart, Robert H., 3 Linden St.  
Smith, Cyrus A., 95 West St.

Tassinari, Robert R., 2069 Washington St.  
Tinson, Sidney B., 198 Liberty St.  
Tisdale, Burton L., 105 Bickford Rd.

Vallas, Louis J., 45 Sterling St.

Walsh, Herbert, 85 Central Ave.  
Wells, Ernest M., 25 Bickford Rd.  
White, Joseph A., 137 River St.  
White, John J., 39 Portland Rd.  
Whitehouse, Robert J., 16 Edgehill Rd.

Young, Ira R., 50 Waldron Rd.

Zanghi, Domonic, 30 Frederick Rd.

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Snow, Walter H., 11 Frederick Rd.  
Snyder, George H., Jr., 174 Parkside Ave.  
Stadelmann, Thomas J., 86 Trefton Dr.  
Stasik, Alfred J., 307 Commercial St.  
Strohman, Joseph Y., 98 Commercial St.

Thoren, John A., 52 Nelson St.  
Timmins, Herbert F., 95 Sheppard Ave.

Whitman, Roland Henry, 4 Sunset Rd.  
Wilde, Raymond C., 57 Sherbrooke Ave.  
Withington, Whitney, 29 Woodedge Ave.  
Woodsum, George T., 104 Academy St.

# Sealer of Weights and Measures

CALVIN E. YOUNG

I herewith submit the annual report as required by the General Laws, Chapter 98, Section 34.

The measuring and weighing devices in the Town were tested and found in excellent condition. Regular inspections of pre-packaged meats were made. \$369.50, received for sealing and adjusting fees, was turned in to the Town Treasurer.

I wish to thank the Town Officials and the business men of Braintree for their cooperation.

Following is a summary of the work done during the year:

	Adjusted	Sealed	Not Sealed	Con-demned
Scales over 10,000 lbs.		3		
Scales 100 to 5,000 lbs.		23		
Scales under 100 lbs.	5	140	1	
Weights:				
Avoirdupois	3	72		
Metric		80		
Apothecary		79		1
Vehicle Tanks:				
First 100 gallons		15		
Each additional 100 gallons		172		
Liquid measures under 1 gallon		41		
Meters:				
Inlet under 1 inch	15	95		
Inlet more than 1 inch	5	7		
Pumps, Kerosene, Oil or grease		38	28	1
Totals	28	765	29	2



# Police Department

Braintree, Massachusetts January 1, 1956

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen

Town of Braintree, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report of the activities of the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1955.

## ARRESTS

Whole Number .....	598
Male .....	567
Female .....	31

### No. 1—Crimes Against Person

	Male	Female
Assault & Battery .....	17	0
Threats .....	1	0
Assault With Intent to Murder ..	1	0
Manslaughter .....	1	0
Armed Robbery .....	1	0
Assault With a Dangerous Weapon .....	2	0
Illegitimacy .....	3	0
Indecent Assault Against Person .	2	0
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	28	0

### No. 2—Crimes Against Property

B & E & Larceny .....	41	0
Concealing Leased Property ....	1	0
Larceny .....	13	0
Malicious Mischief .....	6	0
Malicious Explosion Injury to Dwelling .....	4	0
Malicious & Wanton Injury to Personal Property .....	4	0
Burglar Tools in Possession ....	1	0
Cruelty to Animals .....	1	0
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	71	0

**No. 3—Crimes Against Public Order**

Committing Affray .....	8	0
Delinquency .....	29	2
Drunkenness .....	147	11
Motor Vehicle Laws, Violation ..	128	3
Operating Motor Vehicle		
Under Influence .....	17	1
Operating Motor Vehicle		
so as to Endanger .....	9	1
Traffic Laws, Violation .....	86	8
Vagrancy .....	1	0
Violation Town By-Laws .....	10	2
Violation Probation .....	2	1
Arrests for Out of Town Police ..	7	0
Non-Support .....	6	0
Non-Payment Wages .....	2	0
Obscene & Indecent Literature		
in Possession .....	2	0
Failure to Send Child to School ..	0	1
Neglect of Family .....	1	1
Escapee .....	1	0
Disturbing the Peace .....	8	0
Circulating False Alarm .....	4	0
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	468	31

**COMPLAINTS, Etc.**

Ambulance Trips .....	495
Buildings Found Open .....	391
Night Lights Out .....	24
Cat Complaints .....	143
Dog Complaints .....	602
Dog Bites Reported .....	5
Fire Alarms Answered .....	105
Holes in Street Reported .....	73
Messages Delivered .....	130
Permit to Labor .....	16
Drunk Releases .....	64
Street Lights Reported Out .....	154
Lanterns Put Out .....	41
Lodging .....	1
Vacant Houses Checked .....	344
Prowlers Reported .....	76
Hit and Run Complaints .....	40



Stolen Auto, Braintree .....		17
Recovered .....		25
Permit to Purchase Firearms .....		10
Missing Persons .....	MR	20
	FR	17
	MNR	6
	FNR	1
Sudden Death .....	MR	14
	FR	9
	MNR	2
	FNR	1
Insane Persons .....	MR	6
	FR	5
	MNR	0
	FNR	1
Wagon Trips .....		129
Car Trips .....		91
Miscellaneous Complaints .....		3429

**Code: On Missing Persons, Sudden Deaths & Insane Cases**

MR—Male Resident

FR—Female Resident

MNR—Male Non-Resident

FNR—Female Non-Resident

EDWARD D. CAHILL, Chief

**PERSONNEL**

43 Police Officers

1 Clerk

1 Custodian

The year 1955 brought one additional Sergeant and one new partolman to our staff. One Sergeant retired and a replacement was appointed. There were also two patrolmen appointed to replace the men advanced to Sergeancies.

Through the generosity of Mr. Arthur J. Sullivan of Brow Ave., we were presented with a single unit Resuscitator, Inhalator and Aspirator, complete. This has been of great value to the department in the treatment of patients suffering from heart and asthma attacks, gas inhalation, etc.

The Auxiliary Police are still functioning in a most efficient and helpful manner to this department.

During the year we have made many surveys on Safety and Traffic problems and have received splendid cooperation from the Selectmen and Highway Department in carrying them out.

In closing I wish to thank the Honorable Board of Selectmen and all others who have shown a spirit of co-operation toward my department.

Respectfully,

EDWARD D. CAHILL,  
Chief of Police

Braintree, Massachusetts January 1, 1956

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Town of Braintree, Massachusetts  
Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report of the activities of the Police Department with regards to Traffic for the year ending December 31, 1955.

**ACCIDENTS**

Minor .....	262
Serious .....	188
Fatal .....	3

**Cases Prosecuted in Court**

	Male	Female
Operating Motor Vehicle so as to Endanger .....	9	1
Operating Motor Vehicle under Influence .....	17	1
Violation of Motor Vehicle Laws	128	3
Violation of Traffic Rules & Regulations .....	86	8
Violation of Parking & Meter Regulations .....	362	71
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### Cases reported to Registrar for action on Licenses

Unlawful Speed .....	47	2
Operating Motor Vehicle after Drinking .....	20	0
Passing School Bus .....	6	6
Other Violations .....	13	0
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	86	8

### Violations of Traffic & Meter Regulations

1—Vehicle on Crossing .....	7
2—Too Close to Hydrant .....	3
3—Parking without Lights .....	2
4—Wrong side of Street .....	74
5—Motor Running .....	3
6—Restricted Place .....	312
7—Defiance of Corner Law .....	36
8—Right Wheels not at Curb .....	17
9—Double Parking .....	9
10—Meter Violations	
Meter Expired .....	364
Failure to Deposit Coin .....	79
11—All Night Parking .....	95
12—All Other Violations .....	51
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	1052

### Violations Committed by:

Residents .....	590
Non-Residents .....	462

EDWARD D. CAHILL,  
Chief of Police.

## School Committee

The School Committee is pleased to report that during the year 1955 progress has been maintained in the program instituted for the educational and physical improvement of our schools. This could not have been achieved excepting for the splendid cooperatiin given us by the administrative officers of the School Department, the faculty, the custodians, the Maintenance Department and the citizens of the Town. We owe a debt of gratitude to the South District School Development Committee, the Perkins School Development Committee, the Hollis School Development Committee, the School Site Committee and the School Survey Committee for the service they rendered. Without these committees the school program would have lagged miserably.

Rather than burden the citizens of the Town with repetition, we direct their attention to the Annual Report of the Superintendent of Schools for the year 1955 which immediately follows and in which a complete story is presented of the activities of your School Department.

In closing we wish to express our appreciation to the Superintendent of Schools, to all members of the school system, to the Parent-Teachers' organizations, to all Town Officials, to the citizens of the Town, and especially to Miss Edna Woodsum, our Secretary, since retired, for their cooperation, loyalty nad service.

OVIDIO D. CHIESA  
Chairman  
Braintree School Committee

## *The Superintendent of Schools*

### **The School Budget of 1956**

Adopted for 1956 .....	\$1,654,735
Budget for 1955 .....	1,416,015
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Increase .....	238,720

The substantial increase of \$192,660 occurs in teachers' salaries, and is due to the combined effort of (a) regu-





PENNIMAN — GRADE 2

lar normal yearly increases (b) increase in maximum salaries (c) special \$200 increase effective January 1956 (d) approximately 20 additional teachers needed each year.

The committee has made every possible effort to keep increase in every item to a minimum consistent with the increase of prices and the requirements of the growth of the school system.

### Comparative Costs

The figures for the 1954-55 school year show that Braintree per pupil cost remains in about the same position as usual. With a **per pupil cost** of \$229., Braintree ranks third from the lowest in the group of 17 cities and towns of 20-30,000 population. (See Table 1) Only Methuen at \$220, and Attleboro at \$213 have costs below Braintree. As teachers' salaries are the prime factor in costs, it is not surprising to see that Braintree also ranks in the same position in that respect. Our average teacher salary was \$3859, Attleboro and Methuen again being the only places with lower average salaries. Most of these



towns have now increased salaries substantially to a minimum of \$3100-3200. Braintree's action of increasing by \$200 to a minimum of \$3000 still leaves us in the position of being unable to compete in the market for the best qualified beginning teachers.

In considering teachers salaries in respect to rise in **purchasing power**, it should be noted:

- (a) In the last 10 years factory wages in Mass. increased 69.9 %
- (b) In the last 10 years average per capita income payments to individuals in Mass. increased 56.2 %
- (c) Average salary of public school teachers increased in same period 24.0 %

Mass. ranked lowest of the 48 states in percent increase in buying power of teachers salaries from 1940 to 1953.

## Financing Education

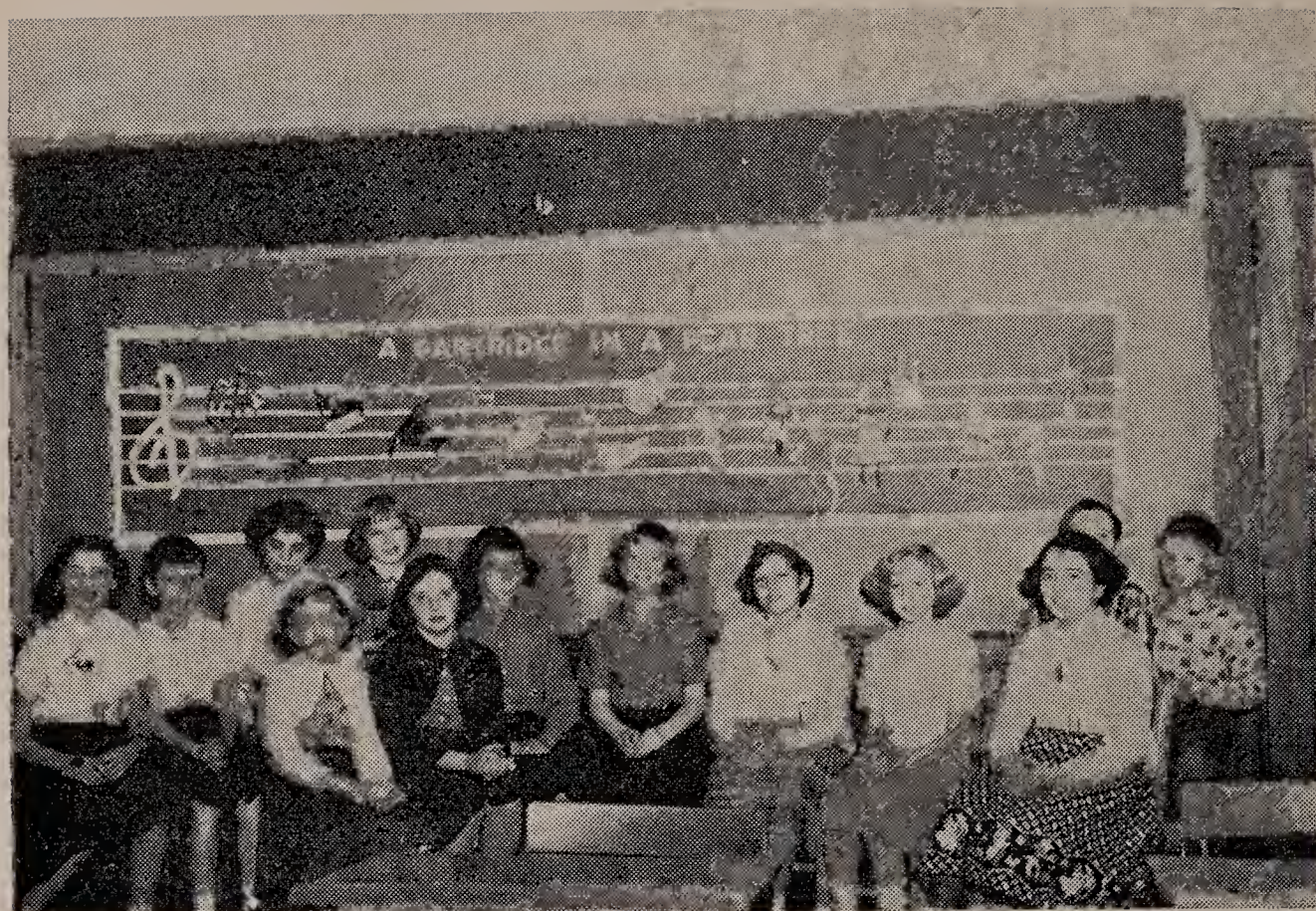
In ratio of it's per pupil valuation Braintree has supported education at a high level of community effort.

The growth of the school population naturally increases operating costs; the provision of school facilities for 400 additional pupils per year requires 13-14 additional classrooms—its equivalent of a new school building each year.

### Analysis of Costs for 1956 Shows:

Operating Costs—School Budget .....	\$1,654,735
Less Estimated Receipts .....	240,000
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Net Cost to Town .....	1,414,735
School Tax Rate @ \$50,000: 1.00 .....	28.28
School Buildings (Bond Payment	
and Interest) .....	347,689.50
Less State Aid .....	102,367.01
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Net Cost for Capital Investment 1956 ..	245,322.49
Tax Rate for School Building Payments	4.90
Total chool Tax (Operation and Buildings)	33.18





ORIGINAL SONG PROJECT — PERKINS GRADE 6

The burden of school support falls largely on the real estate taxpayer. In Mass. a very small percentage of school support, compared to other states, comes from State Aid. It would seem, therefore, that the growing cost of education should be financed to a greater degree from the state level, through taxation which would spread the burden more generally (such as sales tax) and relieve real estate.

### **Ability to Support Education**

The Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, in its November 1955 Monthly Review, states "Consumer spending in New England appears likely to reach a record volume for the year. At the same time, New Englanders boosted their holdings of liquid savings." Retail sales are up about 10+, new cars registered up 22%, savings up \$535,000,000 in the first six months. Per capita personal income in Mass. is about \$2000, nine percent above the national average.

In Mass. we are spending about 2.0% of our total personal income on our public schools or \$189,000,000; cigarettes and tobacco products \$176,000,000 gambling \$180,000,000, and liquor \$306,000,000.



Beardsly Ruml, a national known economist, recently predicted that the total personal income in the nation will increase 75% by 1965. If we devote 2% of our share of the predicted 75% increase in such income, we can increase our public school expenditures \$142,000,000 without undue burden.

### Growth of School Enrollment

In 1946 the total enrollment was 3346. In October 1955 the total was 6189, an increase of 415 over 1954 and of 2843 over 1946. The estimate for 1956 is a total of 6645 which will be 456 over this year. For the past five years the increase has been approximately 400 per year; this rate of increase will continue until the enlarged group, now about at junior high school age, progress through senior high school. Projection of present enrollments with reasonable allowance for increased growth indicates that the:

Maximum elementary enrollment will be	4300 in 1957
Maximum junior high enrollment will be	1800 in 1960
Maximum senior high enrollment will be	1800 in 1963
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Total estimated maximum enrollment	7900
Present enrollment	6200
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Additional pupils 1955-1963	1700

### Building Needs

The future estimates through 1963, require the provision of 60 additional classrooms. To provide these the minimum program seems to be:

1. **Elementary School** 14 classrooms on Liberty Street needed September 1956. At present three classes from South District are transported to other schools, and three meet in auditoriums or lunchrooms. September 1956, three additional classes will require accommodations, making a total of nine rooms needed at once.
2. **Addition of Two Rooms at Colbert School** needed September 1956. Torrey School cannot accept pupils from this area until the fourth grade.
3. **Elementary School at Five Corners** facilities needed September 1956. Due to construction of 140 houses in this area, Monatiquot School can-



not continue to serve this area by bus transportation as formerly.

4. **Addition of three Study Halls** rear of Braintree High School needed September 1958.
5. **Addition of four Classrooms** at Watson and six classrooms at Ross, for transfer of these classes from Lincoln School September 1959.
6. **Addition of 21 classrooms** at Lincoln to make this into a Junior High for East District, September 1959.

It is also probable that an elementary school on the Plain Street site will be required during this period, if additional houses are built there.

Any other large home construction projects will require facilities in addition to those listed above.

### **Planning for Next Year**

By locating four divisions of the seventh grades at the Lincoln School this year, we avoided double sessions at the Hollis. In September 1956 the South Junior High School building will become available, so that it will be possible for the first time to organize a 6-3-3 set-up.

Preparation for the change was started October 1955 and involves:

1. Locating on map the residence of every present 6, 7, 8 grade pupil.
2. Arranging districts for Hollis and South Junior High School to balance enrollment.
3. Establishing bus routes to serve the new arrangements.
4. Rearrange program of studies for all secondary schools.
5. Estimating subject enrollments and teacher requirements.
6. Selecting teachers for transfer to South Junior High School.
7. Obtaining additional new teachers for South Junior High School.



8. Conducting studies and department meetings of combined junior and senior high school teachers to correlate work of these schools.
9. Writing specifications, advertising and bids, and letting contracts for all equipment for South Junior High School.

The Superintendent of Schools appreciates the opportunity of having a capable administrative assistant provided to work on these projects, and also to relieve him of some other routine work in the field of supplies, State Reports, etc.



PLAYING "SAFETY PATROL" — ROSS GRADE 1

### Teachers Competence

Our veteran teachers are doing their usual very effective jobs in spite of generally high teacher-pupil ratios and the pressures which seem to accompany the teachers' job today. Teachers feel the pressures of trying to accomplish all the desired goals of education for modern democratic living and at the same time give the child a sound training in the fundamental skills in the time allotted in the school day.



Our new teachers all seem to be doing very satisfactory jobs. We have been extremely fortunate in getting such able new teachers in view of teacher shortages. Much credit should be given to the Elementary Supervisor for the help and attention she has given these new people to get them started on the right foot.

The in-service training program for Braintree Teachers included 57 teachers' meetings, plus:

A two-day Institute on Physical and Mental Health  
Afternoon courses (a) Social Studies (b) Visual Education (c) Art workshop

Curriculum revision committees active in  
(a) Social Studies (b) The gifted child  
(c) Mental Health (d) Special Class

In the high school, in an attempt to improve actual classroom instruction, increased emphasis has been given to the position of department head. Regular meetings and correlated work by those familiar with the materials and methods best adapted to certain subject fields, have resulted in revised courses of study. Planning for the correlation with the junior high schools to be set-up next year is also a leading topic. The work of these department-heads should be stimulated and recognized.

### **Achievement in Pupil Growth**

The results of the eighth grade testing carried on for us annually by the Durost Testing Service have just become available. It would appear that at this check point, with a slightly above median I. Q. (105.6), we have an eighth grade group this year that shows median scores at grade level in spelling, one month above grade level in arithmetic computation, two months above grade level in arithmetic reasoning, six months above grade level in word meaning.

We have no device to measure the accomplishment in our schools in personality growth or character development. The emphasis over a nine year period has been to enrich the program in every possible way. Our ultimate gain will be in good citizenship.

Remedial reading, individual and group counseling, have provided the extra help needed by many pupils on the borderline between success and failure. The child



has gained through art and music a measure of culture which would not have come to him by accident or by unplanned experiences. The unusual highly organized health program in Braintree has made possible healthier bodies in which to cultivate sounder minds.

In general, our schools, in the face of much of the criticism aimed at public schools in these United States, are doing an effective job in training our Braintree children not only in the "Three R's" but in all other aspects of personal and social growth as well.



FOLLOW-UP OF A CLASS TRIP — MONATIQUEOT GRADE 5

We feel that a high school diploma should represent real achievement. Students should be expected to put forth satisfactory effort as well as showing cooperative attitudes. High school teachers in the present day are handicapped by pupils' attitude that one should get by as easily as possible, with as little effort as possible. While the teacher's personality and philosophy and the atmosphere established in the class are pertinent factors in achievement, yet, students who deliberately refuse to do their work, fail to stay for help, etc. should not be allowed to pass.



## **Hollis Junior High School**

The principal, teachers, and athletic Director deserve much credit for the development of a well-rounded program of social and athletic activities, both during school and after school hours. Many activities such as roller skating, bowling and dancing have been enjoyed by our students on Saturday mornings and even during school vacation periods with the additional chaperonage of interested parents. During Christmas vacation twenty teachers volunteered to accompany pupils on a trip to the Museum of Science.

The pupils at Hollis seem to share the philosophy that all should give at least a little of himself to help make the school a better one. Large numbers of pupils take pride in serving on corridor patrol, on safety patrol or as members of the student council.

### **Physical Education**

A backward look at the 1955 season shows that we had a fine staff, dedicated to our principal objective of teaching skills in Physical Education classes. The chief value of our physical Education program lies in the fact that students are learning how to play our traditional games by developing the skills of these games to a fine degree. In order to give the increasing large number of interested students an opportunity to put these skills into practice, we have organized an extensive intramural program above the fifth grade level. Over 40% of our students are taking advantage of this intramural program and more than twenty teachers, paid and unpaid, are helping to direct and assist us in this venture.

We have not overlooked the actual physical development that takes place in students as the year progresses. Activities and exercise that help in the development of a child's body and his general health are important aspects of our program. By actually testing all freshman and sophomore boys for physical fitness, we found that B.H.S. 9th and 10th graders averaged considerably above the national average.

A new innovation during the past year has been increased emphasis on the so called recreational type sports. These include, tennis, golf, volleyball, square-dancing, and badminton. There are many students who prefer this type

activity and they have been helped considerably in their development. In the future greater efforts must be made to promote this type of activity.

A definite source of pleasure is the development of an attitude of responsibility on the part of our varsity athletes. Many of these boys and girls are members of our physical education leaders corps, as well as being academic and social leaders in their school. They are not only setting a good example for other students but, are actually helping to guide others toward better citizenship.

It is this ideal of leadership and example that we are striving constantly to develop among students who take part in our varsity program.

### **Unmet needs**

(1) There is need for more secretarial help, particularly in our large schools, where a District Principal is not always on hand in the building. During the course of a day there seems to be an almost constant demand for the attention of an adult in or around the office for a variety of minor services which could be easily handled by a clerk, thus taking the load from the building principal's shoulders. As all our building principals are teaching-principals, such distraction often results in loss of efficiency in the classroom. A photo-copy machine is needed at the high school.

(2) Maintenance of older school buildings as mentioned in 1954 report has received no consideration. Heating, weather-proofing, etc., are very unsatisfactory.

### **Do You Know?**

The past year has seen a tremendous growth in numbers of instrumental music pupils in the elementary grades. Indications point to a future of well balanced Junior High bands and orchestras and resultant exceptional secondary units. Total instrumental enrollment is 419.

1955 proved to be a milestone as far as the High School Band was concerned as it was completely outfitted with new uniforms by the School Committee.

This year four of our bandsmen successfully passed the audition and will be playing "first-chair" with the



All-State Band when it convenes in Pittsfield during April 5 to 7. In addition, one of our bandsman was selected for the National High School Band that will meet in St Louis during the 50th Anniversary of the National Music Educators Conference during the week of April the 12th. This is a distinct honor to the Town of Braintree.

Over 600 records were issued to teachers from our Music Library. "Music Speaks" is the title of a monthly broadcast by our Music Department. In all schools, melody bells and autoharps have been added to the equipment. At the Hollis School there are three glee clubs. The teachers of vocal music in the grades and the high school have secured a high degree of participation and excellent achievement.

In 1955 the Attendance Officer made 1345 investigations and found 65 truants. Considering the large number of pupils this figure is negligible. The efforts of Mr. Edward Long, assigned by the Police Department as School Attendance and Juvenile Officer, have been most successful in this field. Sgt. Illingsworth, and this fall his successor as Safety Officer, Sgt. Eno, have fulfilled their responsibilities with a high degree of effectiveness.

Department of Home Instruction registered 36 pupils during year 1955. This included all grades 1-12.

The Braintree Women's Club again sponsored the handicapped children as their project for the year.

Last year the Audio-Visual Department provided for classroom use: 441 rented films, 346 Library films, 7675 filmstrips, 483 recordings, 55 unit pictures and 29 sets of slides.

Watson 5th and 6th grade pupils will have to be transferred to Lincoln September 1956.

Nine classes will have no classrooms in South District September 1956.

The Braintree Historical Society has provided 9 showcases with displays that are rotated between buildings.

The enrollment of Braintree High School in October, 1955 was 1135; this is the largest enrollment in the history of the school. The opening of the South Junior High School (Sept. 1956) is most timely, as it would be

extremely difficult to handle the four year's enrollment next fall.

The Department of Education has requested a full report of our elementary guidance services to serve as a model for other communities.

Dr. Bindman serves as consulting psychologist to Braintree Schools. The South Shore Mental Health Center, B. U. Speech Clinic, Southard Clinic, and many in town hospitals have received cases referred by Braintree schools for clinical study during the year.

Five special classes, under new State Law, enroll 58 pupils at various ages from 7-16. Individual progress at each pupil's capacity is arranged. The "trainable" group at Lakeside School has accomplished wonders with these pupils under trained leadership.

**Parent Conferences** held during Education Week in November have again proved highly successful with nearly 100 % participation.

We have found most parents very appreciative and pleasant to work with. We try to encourage closer rela-



in the schools. School nurses have done a very thorough and effective job. Secretaries carry out their duties efficiently and conscientiously. Custodians and lunch room workers are deserving of commendation for the effort and pride which they put into their work in trying to keep up the highest standards of cleanliness, quality, and service in their own areas of responsibility.

The quality of these people adds much to the effectiveness of schools in Braintree.

In looking over the annual reports for the past nine years, I see that some problems have been completely cleared; others we are still working on; and other new ones have arisen. As long as this situation continues to be true, we are moving ahead.

RALPH W. PROCTOR

## 1955 COMPARATIVE SCHOOL COSTS (M. T. F.)

### Cities and Towns 20,000 — 30,000 Population

CITY OR TOWN	1950 Pop.	1955 Tax rate	54-55	54-55	54-55 Per Pupil Cost
			Ave. Staff Salary	P. T. Ratio	
Northampton	29,063	50.00	4134	27.8	243
Beverly	28,884	62.60	3866	25.7	274
Framingham	28,086	47.00	4588	28.3	262
Belmont	27,381	40.00	4793	26.4	315
Melrose	26,988	55.40	4583	26.9	262
Gloucester	25,167	55.40	3937	26.1	258
Methuen	24,477	54.00	3689	28.4	220
Leominster	24,075	52.00	4137	23.8	279
Attleboro	23,809	45.50	3700	25.8	213
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Braintree	23,161	59.90	3859	26.3	229
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Peabody	22,645	58.90	4155	26.5	269
Milton	22,395	46.00	4484	28.3	269
No. Adams	21,567	53.00	4218	24.3	262
Westfield	20,962	40.00	4051	29.2	231
Wellesley	20,549	45.50	4609	22.8	307
W. Springfield	20,438	44.00	4263	26.5	263
Woburn	20,492	41.80	4450	33.6	236

### Other South Shore Neighbors

Weymouth	32,690	40.00	4216	29.5	235
Dedham	18,487	48.60	3754	26.3	243
Norwood	16,636	50.00	4373	29.2	279
Hingham	10,665	58.00	4024	29.6	279
Quincy	83,835	60.60	4501	28.5	250
Brockton	62,860	58.60	4167	31.8	213



## *Airport Commission*

WILLIAM G. BROOKS, Chairman

THOMAS C. CURRIER

WILLIAM K. STEWART

JOHN W. MURPHY

GEORGE T. WOODSUM

The Braintree Airport Commission reports the completion of nine years of activity and the eighth year of operation of the Braintree Airport.

The Airport is located near Great Pond, off route 128, on Town-owned property of the Braintree Water Department, has a runway of 2500 feet in length and is 85 feet wide. The major part of the runway was constructed through the efforts of members of the Braintree Airport Association, whose membership is open to Braintree residents interested in flying.

The flying area is registered as a Private Landing Field under the jurisdiction of the Massachusetts Aeronautics Commission at latitude 40° 12' 20" and longitude 72° 02' 25".

Many Braintree residents and their guests use the field during the summer months. Eight planes were regularly tied down in the fenced in area. This coming year, activity should increase as several former members of the Airport Association have returned from government service and will use the air strip during the summer months.

The Airport Commission reports that the field has been operated for eight consecutive years without a casualty or serious mishap.

All persons using the Braintree Airport are required to communicate with the Airport Commission and register their planes before using the facilities of the Town. You are invited to join the Braintree Airport Association.

## *Town Forest Committee*

January 14, 1956

Board of Selectmen  
Braintree, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

Improvement of the Town Forest continued through 1955, but because of the unusual weather conditions, not to the extent that the Town Forest Committee wished. The committee had planned to have footbridges built in two locations where trails cross the brook that runs through the forest, but the late summer and early fall, when this work was to have been done because the brook would normally be at its lowest level, brought record-breaking rains instead and the project had to be postponed. The floods caused a severe washout on Washington Street where it borders the Town Forest, but did little damage to the forest itself.

Further poor weather during the fall delayed the clearing-up program under which stunted and dead trees and underbrush are gradually being removed, but nevertheless about two acres have been cleared where the forest borders Washington Street and the committee hopes to obtain pine seedlings from the state to plant in this area. The trails through the forest were checked periodically and kept open throughout the year.

Vandalism is an ever-present problem. Trees have been damaged or cut down on several occasions, and the committee has given up trying to keep directional signs in the forest, as they have been consistently knocked down or removed entirely.

We recommend that the Town Forest be surveyed, so that its boundaries may be accurately determined and marked. This would eliminate such confusing incidents as occurred this year, when it appeared that an abutter was laying claim to part of the forest. Subsequent investigation revealed that the land in question had been sold by the town under tax title several years before the forest was established, and actually never had been part of the forest, although it was so indicated on the Town Forest map.



The Town Forest Committee is doing everything possible within the limits of the funds available to see that the forest is maintained and improved as befits a town recreational area that is becoming increasingly valuable as the years go by.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY C. LAKE  
DONALD C. WILDER  
JEANETTE MOHNKERN  
Town Forest Committee

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## *Board of Appeal*

### *Under Zoning By-Law*

During the year 1955 the Board heard 37 petitions: allowed 27; and denied 8. No action was required on 2 of the petitions for reasons of withdrawal by the petitioner.

HERBERT J. REDMAN  
EARL R. GRANT  
ROBERT A. WOODSUM  
MERVIN B. HILL

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## *Board of Selectmen*

JOHN W. MAHAR, Chairman  
HERBERT B. HOLLIS, Clerk      FRED A. TENNEY

Our annual task seems to be to provide some general picture of the Selectmen's work and accomplishments without republishing the full detailed records of our meetings which are public and open to inspection at our office. Those records would show that for the past year 1955 we dealt with a great variety of petitions, complaints and routine work of the office.

With the Town's rapid growth and the influx of many new citizens it is, perhaps, quite natural that they should bring their requests, in the first instance, to the "FRONT OFFICE"—Many of them, of course, should be, and, are disposed of, so far as the Selectmen are concerned by reference to the proper department, such as Highway, Police, Health, Water, Light and Sewer. Some of those who are referred seem to feel that the Selectmen, ordinarily referred to as the "CHIEF EXECUTIVES" of the Town, should be able to deal with these matters directly. Since however, the responsibility for them is placed by law on departments over which, in many instances, we have no control, we can only refer with recommendation and hope that our new citizens will understand.

Such executive control as we have over the Highway Department has been exercised, usually on the recommendation of the Highway Superintendent, in an effort to satisfy reasonable requests so far as they may not conflict, through excessive expenditures or improper action, with the public interest. In this category falls requests for minor repairs, improving drainage facilities and various amendments of Traffic Regulations including posting of "Warning" signs.

Because it is routine, we hesitate to mention it, but because of its time consuming, it should be realized that the Selectmen's duties include the approval of the Weekly Warrants including the payrolls of all Town employees to say nothing of required signatures on all of the official borrowings of the Town including thousands of Bonds, even on School construction.

As a Licensing Board we are pleased to report that the past year presented no serious problems of violations or control of our licensed Liquor businesses. As a Licensing Board many other types of licenses were issued on petition including various vendors licenses, auto dealers, gasoline storage, etc.

The Board has discharged its responsibility of making required Civil Service appointment of two Police Sergeants and three Patrolmen.

And, OH YES!—THE WEATHER—it rained last August and the floods came in such a manner as to create



a warning that recent fill, dumping and change of dams and bridges may have seriously effected the capacity of our main water course. The Board, in conjunction with our Representative in the General Court, has initiated various steps in the hope that this problem can be dealt with before the recurrence of the floods. Skillful negotiations by Representative Hollis, supported by the Board, speedily obtained a "BAILEY" bridge as a temporary replacement on Middle Street to be followed by permanent work at the State's expense. Legislation has been sponsored to study the whole water shed and drainage problem with provision in the Warrant for such action as the Town desires to take thereon. This, we have done, and, will continue to do, what we can in the public interest. In this respect we must add a word of caution that private individuals who suffer damage through such an "ACT OF GOD" cannot look to the Town Treasury as an Insurance Fund.

In closing may we express our thanks for the confidence and patience of the public and the loyalty of our fellow employees.

# Tax Collector

Year Ending December 31, 1955

1954 Uncollected Balances and Commitments .	\$	192,188.79	
Charges from previous years . . . . .		666.63	\$192,855.42
1955 Commitments and Charges . . . . .			<u>3,360,021.50</u>
Total Accounts for Collection . . . . .			\$3,552,867.92
Credits by:			
Collections . . . . .		3,197,446.19	
Abatements . . . . .		98,225.38	
Tax Titles . . . . .		4,640.00	
Judgments etc. . . . .		96.58	
Returned for Apportionment . . . . .		52,394.17	
			<u>3,352,802.32</u>
Outstanding Balance December 31, 1955 . . . . .	\$	200,065.60	
Itemized Outstanding Balances:			
1955 Real Estate . . . . .		95,115.78	
Sewer Betterment Apportionments . .		1,109.57	
Sewer Connection Apportionments . .		261.07	
Street Betterment Apportionments . .		81.00	
Sidewalk Betterment Apportionments		5.00	
Water Liens . . . . .		797.85	



Committed Interest .....	350.91
Poll .....	152.00
Excise .....	25,371.30
Personal .....	6,399.52
Unapportioned Misl. Betterment	
Assessments .....	70,447.91
1954 Balances for future Adjustment .....	Credit 26.31
Total .....	<u>200,065.60</u>

GEORGE H. GERRIOR, JR.  
Tax Collector

## *Braintree Housing Authority*

ESNEST J. JANSSEN, Chairman  
WILLIAM H. GUSTAFSON      JOHN E. MALONEY  
Vice Chairman                      Assistant Treasurer  
PAUL P. FOLEY                      JOSEPH F. CONNOLLY  
Treasurer  
IRVING E. STODDARD, Executive Director

### CHAPTER 200 PROJECT

Flood waters did not miss our single unit houses and the Authority was confronted with the problem as were other homes throughout the Town. Cooperation of Town departments was of tremendous help.

Annual inspections of all units were made by members of the Authority and as a whole it was found that the tenants have cared for the property as though it were their own.

A program of interior painting is being progressed; with the limited time of our maintenance man, tenants have redecorated the interiors, the authority providing the paint.

Tenants financial status is continuously improving and many have found new homes thereby permitting veterans of lower income to enter the project. Such tenants of over-income who have not vacated, have been notified of their limitations so that their plans may be made without the Authority exercising eviction proceedings.

The Authority may appear too firm in insisting on payment of rent when due, but our indebtedness must be paid on income from rents, consequently our firm position must and will continue.

### UNION VILLAGE PROJECT

The last of the twelve temporary buildings was demolished during 1955.

This project has been in operation by this Authority since 1948 as temporary facilities for Braintree Veterans and has afforded some 200 families temporary housing.

The cost to the Town of Braintree of this project approximates \$15,000.00 and during the years of operation this Authority has reimbursed the Town about \$60,000.00 on this investment.



# *Braintree Light Department*

1955

Your Commissioners submit the annual report of the Braintree Electric Light Department for the year ending, December 31, 1955.

NORTON P. POTTER  
CARL W. R. JOHNSON  
SHELLEY A. NEAL

Commissioners

To the Municipal Light Board

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is the annual report of the Braintree Electric Light Department for the year ended December 31, 1955.

Work in the steam department has consisted of necessary maintenance and alterations to keep this plant up to date as far as possible and in good operating condition. This maintenance program consisted of opening and inspection of No. 3 turbine, overhaul of No. 3 circulating pumps, inspection and necessary repairs to boiler plant equipment. New additions consisted of slight changes in pipe and valve arrangements to improve operations procedures.

Materials will be purchased for No. 1 generator in 1956 with plans for a complete overhaul on this unit in 1957.

In the line department many changes and additions have been made. Straightening and resurfacing of Common and Hancock Streets required complete re-construction of existing facilities requiring new poles, wire, transformers and street lighting.

As a result of load growth, a continued study and change of present distribution system is necessary. Many homes services have been replaced with heavier wires in order to adequately carry the increased home demand. In many areas transformer sizes were inadequate and numerous transformer changes have been made.

A new aerial cable has been installed from Cleveland Avenue Sub-station to Storrs Square in order to overcome a low voltage condition that existed there last year.

Completion of 98 homes in Granite Park area off West Street made it necessary to install new 1/0 conductors on West Street from Braintree Five Corners to Addison Street.

Installation of a new Super-Market at Grove and Liberty Streets as well as the building of 100 homes off Peach Street added approximately 450 KVA to the Braintree Highlands feeder. Since another 50 homes are scheduled to be installed off Peach Street, 58 off Plain Street and approximately 150 in other areas of the Highlands, as well as two schools on Liberty Street, our present Braintree Highlands feeder would be greatly overloaded. In order to be prepared to meet these increases a new 4/0 aerial cable was installed from Plain Street to the corner of Arbutus and Brewster Avenue. This feeder will now be our "Highlands" feeder and has sufficient capacity to serve the expected expansion in the Highlands area. The old Highlnds feeder was changed to Grove Street feeder and will serve the Peach Street area, the new schools, supermarket and will be available to serve the development planned for Plain Street, Kendal Avenue area.

Mercury type street lights were installed on Quincy Avenue replacing the old sodium lights that had become obsolete. New mercury type street lights were also installed on Hancock Street and at the Liberty, Grove Street crossing.

New housing areas have been lighted with multiple type street lighting system and it is expected that this type system will be continued in all new development areas.

Installation of two-way radio on all department trucks early this year has greatly aided in our construction and repair program. It's effectiveness was well demonstrated during the recent flood when numerous services were disconnected temporarily because of hazardous conditions.

Peak demand this year was 15,800 KW, an increase of 2000 KW over 1954.

Highest output day was 252,000 KWH, an increase



of 42,000 KWH over the highest output day of 1954.

Gross output for 1955 . . . .	61,733,000 KWH
Gross output for 1954 . . . .	53,435,000 KWH

Increase	8,298,000 KWH
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This represents an increase of 15.53% over 1954.

I wish to express my appreciation to the Commissioners, Town Officials, Customers and Employees for their co-operation during the past year.

Following is presented the details showing the physical and operating conditions as prepared in accordance with the annual report to the Department of Public Utilities.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBAN G. SPURRELL,  
Manager.

#### ANALYSIS OF SALES

Domestic and Commercial ....	28,656,800	\$720,125.70
Industrial .....	22,245,624	341,838.66
Municipal .....	1,874,303	36,340.32
Street Lights .....	1,088,276	19,032.96
	<hr/> 53,865,003*	<hr/> \$1,117,337.64*

#### OPERATING EXPENSES

##### *Production*

Superintendence and Labor .....	\$ 71,105.65	
Electrical Labor .....	767.98	
Boiler Fuel .....	357,081.27	
Water for Steam .....	2,530.48	
Lubricants .....	281.47	
Station Supplies and Expenses .....	619.68	
Maintenance of Station Structures .....	6,958.68	
Maintenance of Boiler Equipment .....	17,468.44	
Maintenance of Turbo Generator Units .....	30,812.91	
Maintenance of Electric Equipment .....	2,401.55	
Maintenance of Accessory Electric Equip. ....	2,967.36	
Electric Energy Purchased .....	16,210.15	
	<hr/> \$	509,250.62*

##### *Transmission and Distribution*

Station and Sub-station Superintendence and Labor .....	\$ 12,079.29
Operation of Transmission and Distribution of Lines .....	16,385.60
Distribution of Tools .....	4,177.78

Inspecting and Testing Meters .....	438.85	
Removing and Resetting Meters .....	7,985.82	
Removing and Resetting Transformers ....	2,277.48	
Maintenance of Sub-station Structures ....	663.67	
Maintenance of Transformer Station and Sub-station Equipment .....	3,349.01	
Maintenance of Transmission and Distribu- tion of Lines .....	27,784.16	
Maintenance of Underground Conduits ....	398.67	
Maintenance of Underground Conductors .....	82.16	
Maintenance of Meters .....	2,305.89	
Maintenance of Transformers .....	2,163.98	
Maintenance of Storage Batteries .....	218.73	
Hurricane Carol .....	21,544.77	
	<hr/>	\$ 58,766.32
<i>Utilization</i>		
Operation of Street Lamps .....	\$ 10,492.36	
Replacement of Street Lamps .....	2,271.54	
Supplies and Maintenance .....	2,827.98	
	<hr/>	\$ 15,591.88*
<i>General Expense</i>		
Maintenance of Consumers Installations \$	5,847.52	
Office Expense .....	41,674.76	
Advertising .....	234.94	
Salaries of Municipal Light Board and Manager .....	8,883.30	
Office Salaries .....	4,001.20	
General Office Expense .....	8,080.06	
Insurance .....	12,618.45	
Accidents and Damages .....	20.00	
Maintenance of General Structures .....	4,706.28	
Miscellaneous General Expense .....	1,171.92	
	<hr/>	\$ 87,238.43*
PENSIONS .....	\$	19,179.54*
DEPRECIATION .....	\$	147,500.50*
GRAND TOTAL OF OPERATING		
EXPENSES .....	\$	837,482.29*
BOOK VALUE OF ALL PROPERTY ....	\$	3,751,270.92*

#### PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT

January 1, 1955, Balance ....	\$ 2,554,820.18
Transferred from Income ....	188,227.09
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Balance, December 31, 1955 ....	\$ 2,743,047.27*

#### INCOME STATEMENT

OPERATING REVENUE .....	\$1,117,337.64
OPERATING EXPENSES .....	837,482.29
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Manufacturing Surplus .....	279,855.35
Miscellaneous Deductions .....	701,21
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	\$ 279,154.14



Bonds and Interest .....	\$ 90,927.05
Net transfer to Profit and Loss .....	\$ 188,227.09*

### BALANCE SHEET

#### Assets

Plant Investment .....	\$3,751,270.92
Petty Cash .....	200.00
Town Treasurer, Operating Account .....	19.46
Cash Reserve for Payment of Bonds and Interest .....	72,840.05
Special Deposits .....	13,813.11
Accounts Receivable .....	95,250.45
Materials and Supplies .....	42,959.04
Unadjusted Debits .....	6,916.88
Depreciation .....	348,598.01
Prepaid Insurance .....	12,838.25
<b>TOTAL ASSETS .....</b>	<b>\$4,344,706.17*</b>

#### Liabilities

Accounts Payable .....	.00
Consumers Deposits .....	13,813.11
Bonds Payable .....	1,190,000.00
Interest Accrued .....	8,677.05
Loans Repayments .....	343,000.00
Appropriations for Construction Repayment	46,168.74
Profit and Loss .....	2,743,047.27
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES .....</b>	<b>\$4,344,706.17*</b>

### ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

BRAINTREE .....	\$ 10,943.01
EAST BRAINTREE .....	7,972.84
SOUTH BRAINTREE .....	33,093.19
CONTRACTS & SPECIAL RATES .....	34,816.43
MUNICIPAL .....	3,892.02
STREET LIGHTS .....	4,532.96
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$ 95,250.45*</b>

### DEPRECIATION ACCOUNT

Balance, January 1, 1955 .....	\$ 256,574.76
Transferred from Income, 1955 .....	147,500.50
Re-imbursement from State on Hurricane Carol .....	21,357.84
Re-imbursement from Customers on Hurricane Carol .....	175.46
Interest Income .....	485.00
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	\$ 426,093.56
Expended on New Construction .....	\$ 77,495.55
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<b>BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 1955 ....</b>	<b>\$ 348,598.01*</b>

### CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT

Balance, January 1, 1955 .....	\$ 2,484.13
Expended on Construction .....	2,484.13
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BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 1955 ....	\$ .00*

### SPECIAL BOND FUND

Balance, January 1, 1955 .....	\$ 26,172.07
Expended on Construction .....	26,172.07
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BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 1955 ....	\$ .00*
CASH RECEIVED AS PER CASHBOOK .....	\$1,151,783.92
PAID TO TOWN TREASURER .....	\$1,151,783.92
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE .....	\$ .00*
OPERATING BALANCE, DEC. 31, 1955 .....	\$ 72,859.51
Transferred to Reserve for Payment of Bonds and Interest .....	\$ 72,840.05
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OPERATING BALANCE, JAN. 1, 1956 .....	\$ 19.46*

### MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD

#### Debit

Balance, January 1, 1955 .....	\$ .00
Alban G. Spurrel, Manager .....	1,151,783.92
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	\$1,151,783.92*

#### Credit

Paid by Order of the Commissioners .....	\$1,078,924.41
Cash balance, December 31, 1955 .....	72,859.51
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	\$1,151,783.92*

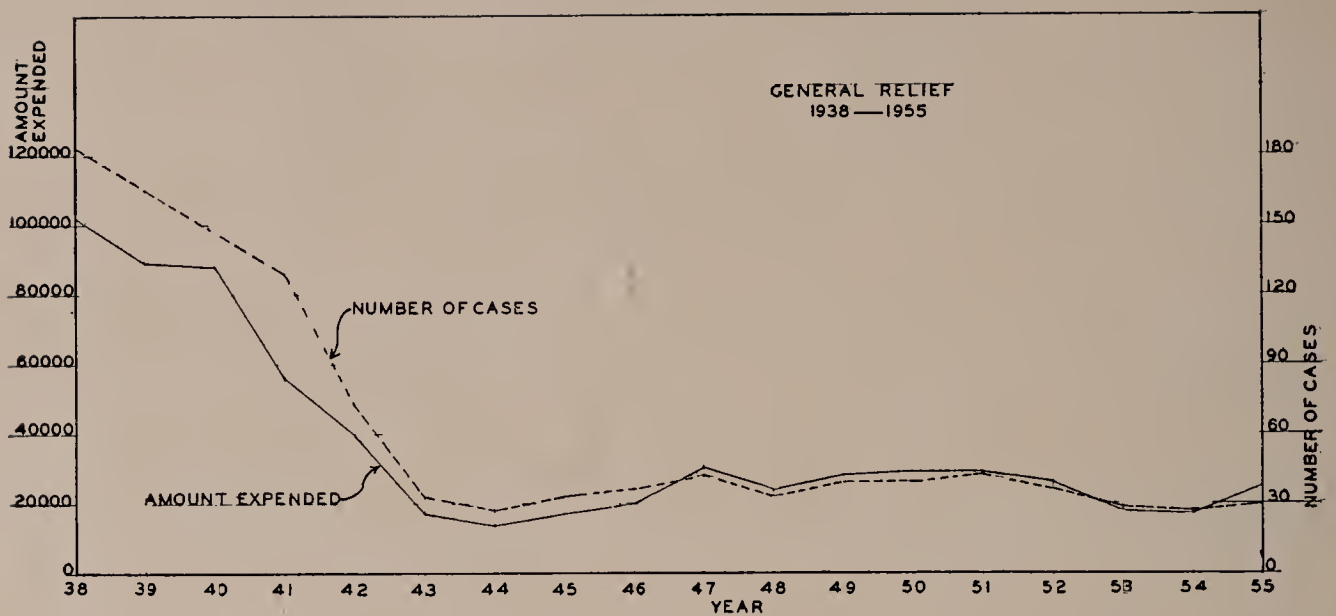
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## Board of Public Welfare

HARRISON T. SMILEY, Chairman  
FRED A. TENNEY, Clerk  
HERBERT B. HOLLIS, Member  
H. J. GAFFNEY, Agent

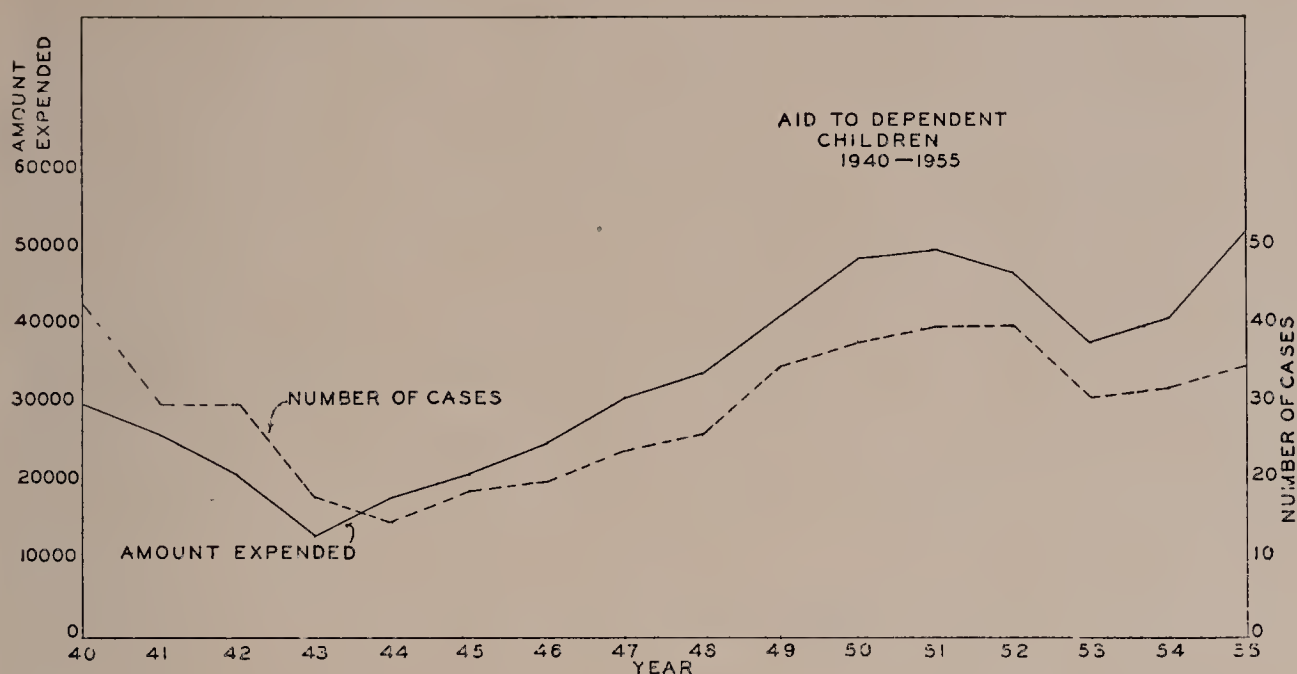
The State Department of Public Welfare promulgates the rules and regulations under which we operate and have established a budgetary system to follow in granting assistance to recipients. The Board of Public Welfare has the responsibility of rendering assistance in the categories of Old Age Assistance, Aid to Dependent





Children, Disability Assistance, General Relief and the Town Infirmary. Exclusive of the Federal and State reimbursements received monthly, we have available in unused funds from our 1955 operations an amount of \$30,573,82 Federal Grants, which amount will be used as a credit against, and to reduce, the 1956 Town Appropriation. For a great many years the continuous increase in the costs of rendering assistance has been due to the continually rising cost of living. During the last few years, the increased costs are substantially attributable to the ever-increasing hospital and medical costs. All of the hospitals were approved for a higher per diem rate in 1955, certified to by the State Commissioner of Administration and Finance, who now has the duty of accumulating operating costs from the hospitals from which he establishes this rate. Some of the present rates are: Massachusetts General \$21.63; Massachusetts Memorial \$21.74; Free Hospital for Women \$21.71, and so on. Periodic calls by our three visitors are made to the homes from which continued eligibility to receive assistance is determined.

**Old Age Assistance:** For a recipient living in a family group, the minima is \$55.00 monthly and \$4.00 "Leisure Time Activity," making \$59.00 monthly. For a recipient living alone, a minima of \$75.00 and \$4.00 "Leisure Time Activity," making \$79.00 monthly. The average cost per case, however, averaged \$81.00 monthly, including hospital, convalescent home care and medical costs. The grants to the recipients and payments for hospital care, druggist bills and medical amounted to \$254,824.28, the greater part of which is reimbursed by



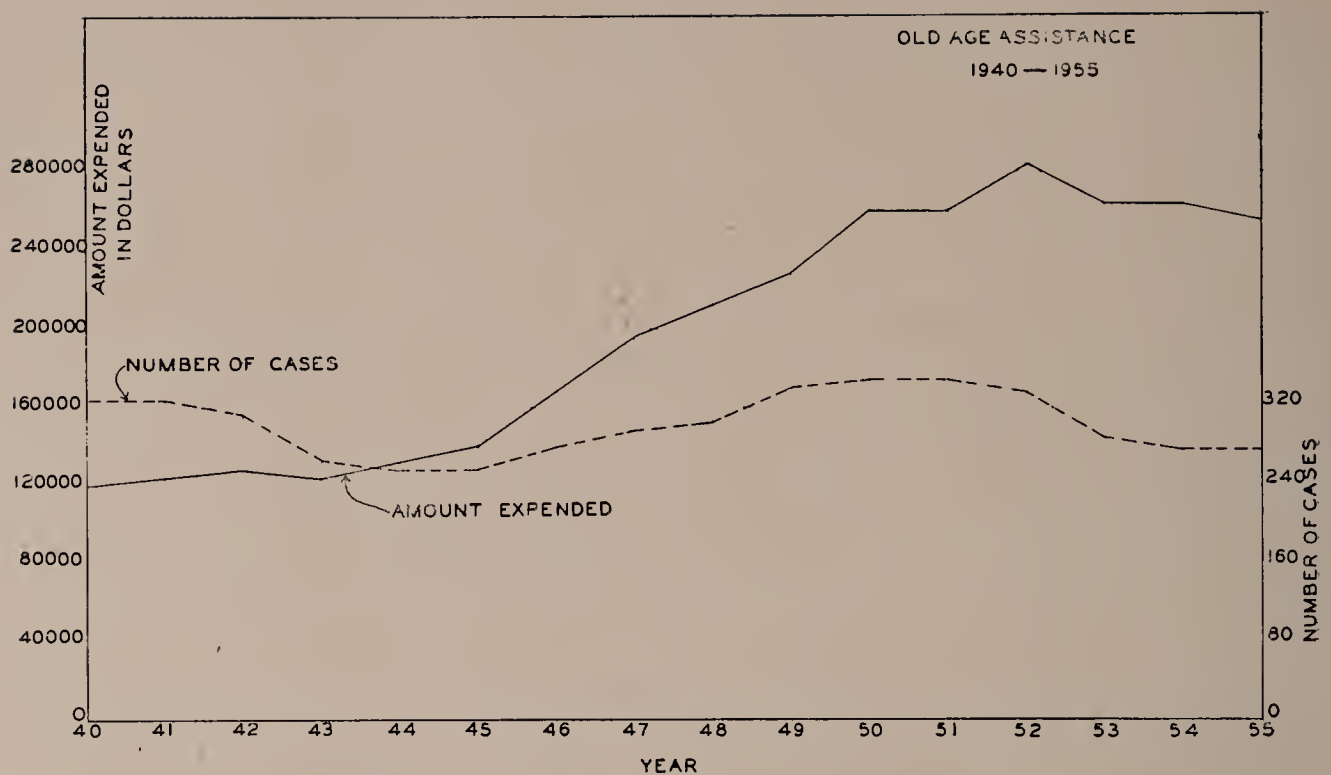
the Federal and State Governments. The Town's share was \$39,380.64. In addition to these grants, on the basis of settlement laws we paid other cities and towns \$6,347.84 and billed them \$7,236.89. Recoveries under the lien law amounted to \$10,164.01, which have been proportionately distribute to Federal, State and Local Governments.

**Aid to Dependent Children:** This program is established to enable children to continue living in their own home, as a family unit. Assistance is rendered based on need and eligibility, where there is a widow, divorcee, legal separation, where the parent is physically incapacitated, has deserted or is incarcerated. Full medical has to be granted. The grants to the families and payments for medical amounted to \$52,474.23, which expenditures are participated in by the Federal, State and Local Governments. The Town's share was \$13,737.36.

**Disability Assistance:** This category provides for assistance to needy persons, eighteen years of age or over, who have been determined to be permanently and totally disabled by a medical review team working under the State Department of Public Welfare. The medical costs in this program are large because of the physical condition of the recipients. Payments to the persons direct and the costs for medical expenses amounted to \$21,681.79. The Commonwealth reimburses 75% of the expenditures which includes the Federal participation. The local share amounted to \$5,420.44.

**General Relief:** While it is true the Nation and the Commonwealth are enjoying a period of the best em-

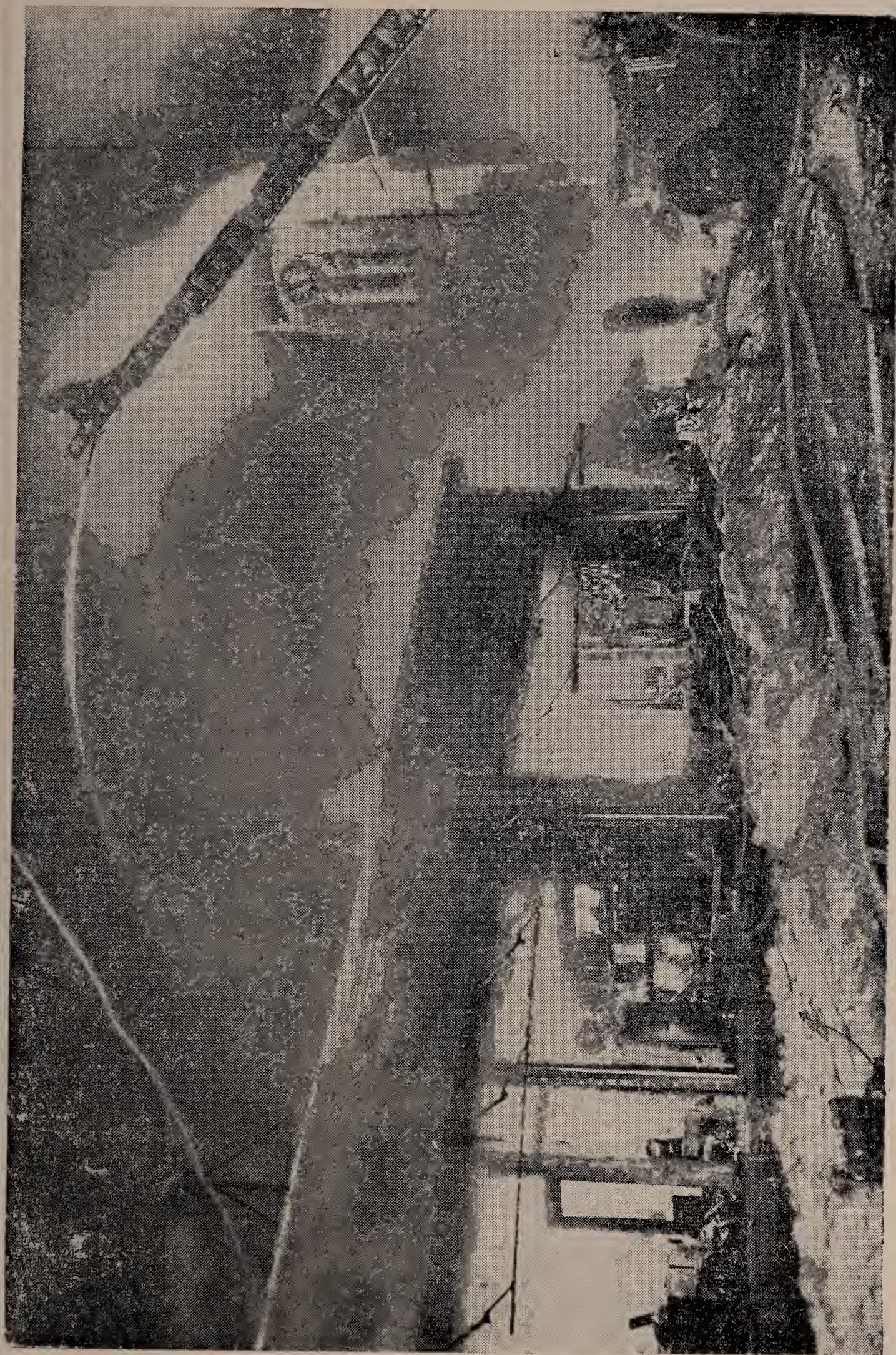




ployment conditions with higher wages than in any previous peacetime period, resulting in keeping the number of welfare cases at a minimum, we still have our welfare cases. The Statutes of the Commonwealth require each community to care for its indigent people. In addition to unemployment, this class also includes the sick, the infirm, and the disabled, not eligible for any other category of relief. Any case becoming eligible in another category is immediately transferred from General Relief. The total expenditures amounted to \$24,513.38 including assistance in the town itself and payments to the Commonwealth and other cities and towns as well as to the various hospitals on Braintree settled cases. Under the settlement laws we received \$1,863.61 from the Commonwealth and billed other cities and towns \$2,031.83. There was a recovery of \$149.00.

**Town Infirmary:** The Town Infirmary is used principally to house single homeless persons. It is also used to house evicted persons and families who are forced out of their homes by fire, floods, hurricanes, or other disasters. A Superintendent and Matron are in charge. The inmates must be able to care for themselves. The first part of the year there were seven inmates, and at the end, five. Total expenditures were, for operating costs \$4,905.07, and for repairs and maintenance \$93.00. Total income from the Commonwealth was \$1,001.38, billed other cities and towns \$83.66, and received from one inmate \$240.00, making a total of \$1,325.04.





FIRE DEPARTMENT IN ACTION



# *Fire Department*

HARRY T. SEARS

Chief of Fire Department

Superintendent of Fire Alarm

In 1955 out of a total of 906 calls of all descriptions, 51 fires resulted with a loss totaling \$130,335.13 with a property valuation involved by fire of \$1,050,300.00.

Fire prevention is considered one of the most important duties of the Fire Department. A special effort has been made to increase the number of inspections of all classes of buildings. In 1955 a total of 1800 inspections were made. Fire prevention should be carried out the entire year. With your help we can still lower our fire losses and minimize the physical danger to our citizens.

The three fire stations are in very good condition and require only the usual maintenance to keep them in top condition.

The Fire Alarm System is in excellent condition with seven new fire alarm boxes added in 1955 consisting of one Master box for school protection and six Street Boxes in new locations.

Due to the rapid development in the Highlands District it is necessary to recommend one additional man to the two man company now in service. We have 1200 dwellings, 3 schools and the Norfolk County Hospital in this district.

The apparatus and equipment are in very good condition.

Mutual Aid plays a very important part in the protection of life and property. We are grateful to have automatic Mutual Aid with our neighboring city and towns.

Our two-way radio purchased in 1951 with one mobile unit added each year until all apparatus are radio equipped, provides instantaneous and reliable communication between fire headquarters and fire apparatus and men, contributing to the efficiency of the Fire Service.

We still have three second class school buildings not protected by automatic sprinkler systems. I have requested the School Committee to continue the sprinkler program of one school building a year until all 2nd and 3rd class school buildings are protected by automatic fire alarm and sprinkler systems.

The large reduction in insurance premiums has in many cases been the prevailing reason for installing automatic sprinklers. Oftentimes the annual savings is sufficient to pay for the sprinkler system in two to four years: it seldom takes over seven or eight years. Regardless of the question of safety which should be the most important feature for the safety of our school children and school buildings, sprinkler protection is an excellent investment.

STATE LAW-Upon the approach of any fire apparatus which is going to a fire or responding to an alarm, every person driving a vehicle on a way shall immediately drive said vehicle as far as possible toward the right hand curb or side of said way and shall keep the same at a standstill until such fire apparatus has passed. No person shall drive a vehicle over a hose of a fire department without the consent of a member of such department. No person shall drive a vehicle within eight hundred feet of any fire apparatus going to a fire or responding to an alarm, nor drive said vehicle or park or leave the same unattended, within six hundred feet of a fire or within the fire lines established thereat by the fire department. Violations of any provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars.

Fuel oil in excess of ten gallons shall not be kept in a structure without a permit having been obtained from the head of the Fire Department. In 1955 there were 572 inspections of fuel oil burner installations. These installations are increasing every year. A person, firm or corporation shall not install nor alter a fuel oil burner installation until a certificate of competency has been obtained from the State Fire Marshall.

A permit is required from the head of the Fire Department for the installation and storage of Liquified Petroleum Gas systems. Thirty two permits were issued in 1955 for such installations, 23 permits for blasting and 461 permits for fires in open air.



Supervised drills and schooling in the Fire Department are carried on throughout the year to keep abreast of the most advanced fire fighting techniques and equipment.

We used 32,000 feet of 2½" hose, 20,750 feet of 1½" hose, 46,120 feet of Booster Hose and 1,551 feet of ladders. Our engines pumped water a total of 179 hours. We received calls for 144 building fires, 57 resuscitator calls, 394 grass, woods and dump fires, 2 oil refinery fires, 72 investigations, 27 automobile fires, 26 false alarms, 18 out of town calls and 148 miscellaneous calls.

In closing I wish to thank the Honorable Board of Selectmen and all others who have assisted the Fire Department in carrying out its duties.

## Town Treasurer

GEORGE H. GERRIOR, JR., *Temporary Town Treasurer*

*in account with*

### THE TOWN OF BRAINTREE

Cash Book Balance, January 1, 1955 .....	\$1,190,888.82
Receipts from all Sources — 1955 .....	8,734,250.23
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	\$9,925,139.05
Paid on Selectmens' Warrants .....	\$7,888,487.45
Cash Book Balance December 31, 1955 .....	2,036,651.60
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	\$9,925,139.05

(Details of Receipts and Expenditures  
are shown in Accountant's Report)

### OUTSTANDING FUNDED DEBT, DECEMBER 31, 1955

First Sewer Loan, 3½ % due 1956-1961 .....	\$ 84,000.00
Sewer Loan, 2¼ % due 1956-1958 .....	15,000.00
Sewer Loan, 1½ % due 1956-1959 .....	20,000.00
Sewer Loan, 1.40 % due 1956-1961 .....	30,000.00
Sewer Loan, 1.90 % due 1956-1961 .....	59,000.00
Sewer Loan, 2.20 % due 1956-1963 .....	80,000.00
Sewer Loan, 2.10 % due 1956-1964 .....	45,000.00
Water Main Bonds, 1¼ % due 1956-1961 .....	72,000.00
Water Construction Bonds, 1¼ % due 1956-1961 .....	18,000.00
Water Standpipe Bonds, 2.10 % due 1956-1969 .....	42,000.00
High School Addition Bonds, 2¼ % due 1956-1968 .....	523,000.00
High School Remodeling Bonds, 2¼ % due 1956-1958 .....	48,000.00
Highway Garage Bonds, 2¼ % due 1956-1958 .....	18,000.00

Elementary School Bonds, 1¾ % due 1956-1970 .....	495,000.00
Elementary School Bonds, 1.90 % due 1956-1972 .....	1,136,000.00
Elementary School Bonds, 2.10 % due 1956-1974 .....	635,000.00
Elementary School Bonds, 2.10 % due 1956-1974 .....	152,000.00
Electric Light Bonds, 1.75 % due 1956-1972 .....	1,190,000.00
Library Bonds, 2.10 % due 1956-1972 .....	170,000.00
South Junior High Bonds, 2.10 % due 1956-1975 .....	1,150,000.00
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	\$5,982,000.00

TAX TITLES

Tax Titles held by Town, January 1, 1955 .....	\$ 8,907.02
1955 Takings .....	1,642.54
1955 Subsequent Taxes added to Tax Titles .....	3,294.58
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Total .....	\$ 13,844.14
1955 Redmptions .....	4,688.65
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Tax Title Balance December 31, 1955 .....	\$ 9,155.49

TRUST FUND TRANSACTIONS — 1955

	Principal of Fund Dec. 31, '55	Balance of Income Jan. 1, '55	Income Receipts 1955	Payments from Income 1955	Balance of Income Dec. 31, '55
N. H. Hunt Trust	\$24,436.99	\$.....	\$ 819.50	\$.....	\$.....
Chas E. French Tr.	2,419.50	104.65	75.51	51.20	128.96
Ann M. Penniman Tr.	500.00	7.29	15.32	.....	22.61
Geo. W. Kelley Tr.	200.00	18.32	6.59	.....	24.91
Hannah R. Hollis Tr.	100.00	19.24	3.61	.....	22.85
Chas. Thayer Tr.	20,329.06	695.89	613.95	600.00	709.84
Julia A. Minchin Tr.	100.00	27.83	3.85	.....	31.68
Avis A. Thayer Tr.	500.00	25.75	15.88	.....	41.63
Jos. S. Miller Tr.	123.66	34.41	4.77	.....	39.18
Chas C. Hill Tr.	100.00	27.84	3.85	.....	31.69
M. P. W. Martin Tr.	300.00	17.21	9.58	.....	26.79
Colbert Sch. Trust	25,000.00	8,547.60	971.18	.....	9,518.73
Henry H. Musick Tr.	250.00	65.98	9.53	.....	75.51
Colbert Library Tr.	40,443.76	8,598.76	1,491.10	9,000.00	1,089.86
Stabilization Fund	1,000.00	146.14	34.64	.....	180.78
Mary F. White Tr.	10,665.50	.....	159.98	.....	159.98

Trust Funds in the Name of the Trustees of  
Thayer Public Library, December 31, 1955

Principal—Foundation .....	\$11,020.91
Principal—Caleb Stetson Fund .....	2,500.00
Principal—Rachel Thayer Fund .....	172.50
Unexpended Income January 1, 1955 .....	\$ 3,467.03
Income—Foundation .....	\$ 316.10
Income—Caleb Stetson Fund .....	75.00



Income—Rachel Thayer Fund .....	5.16
Income—N. H. Hunt Trust .....	819.50
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	\$ 1,215.76
Expended Income, January 1, 1955 .....	\$ 1,331.20
Balance Unexpended Income December 31, 1955 .....	\$ 3,351.64

#### *CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT SYSTEM*

Cash Balance, January 1, 1955 .....	\$ 12,756.54
Cash Receipts for year of 1955 .....	146,113.62
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Total .....	\$158,870.16
Payments made on Vouchers of Retirement Board .....	149,982.75
Cash Balance December 31, 1955 .....	8,887.41
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	\$158,870.16

GEORGE H. GERRIOR, JR.  
Temporary Treasurer

## *Harbor Master*

Honorable Board of Selectmne

Town Hall

South Braintree, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report as Harbor Master for the year 1955. I also wish to take this opportunity to thank all Town Officials and employees who have so kindly assisted me during the year.

All available mooring space was in use during the boating season.

On February 7, 1955 a meeting was held at the Metropolitan Yacht Club, East Braintree, at which Mr. Rodolphe Bessette, Director of Waterways, and Mr. Robert B. MacKinnon, Chief Engineer of the Commonwealth of Mass. Dept. of Public Works, explained the position of the Department in regards to the dredging of the Weymouth Fore River. This meeting was conducted by Honorable Herbert B. Hollis, State Representative, in his capacity of Chairman of the Braintree-Weymouth

Harbor Dredging Committee. At this meeting it was agreed that if the Braintree Electric Light Dept. would pay \$8250.00, the Town of Weymouth appropriate \$10,000.00 and the Town of Braintree appropriate the sum of \$20,000.00, the Commonwealth of Mass. would appropriate the balance of \$121,750.00 making a total of \$160,000.00 for the job.

On October 18, 1955 bids were opened on this dredging job by the Commonwealth of Mass. and the contract was awarded to the Bay State Dredging and Contracting Co. of Boston and work was started shortly after November 1, 1955.

All boat owners and interested parties were notified by me to remove all moorings before November 1, 1955 or they would be picked up and dumped out to sea.

When this job is completed the channel in the river will be not less than 80 feet wide, have a depth of 6 feet at mean low water and will be straightened out to provide better navigation and will allow us to moor twice as many boats as at present.

During the year one sunken boat was ordered removed and this boat was given to the Sea Scouts by the owner and they removed it. Several boats that went adrift were retrieved and secured.

Respectfully submitted,

SEWARD W. TABER,,

Harbor Master

EARL F. CONNORS,

Asst. Harbor Master



## Water Commissioners

To the Citizens of Braintree:

The year 1955 was an unusual year for the Braintree water supply due to excessive rainfall and also to excessive drought during the month of June and July. This produced in the water supply of not only Braintree but our neighboring towns disagreeable odors and tastes in their water supply. Our average daily pumping throughout the year was 2,050,000 gallons while the maximum daily pumpage during the periods of drought was 3,300,000 gallons. The capacity of our Filtration Plant is approximately 2,800,000 gallons, thus a considerable strain has been placed on our Filtration Plant during these periods of maximum pumping. Normally, the Filtration Plant is able to take out these disagreeable odors and tastes, as evidenced by the fact that this disagreeable situation passed as soon as our pumpage dropped to normal in August and September.

We are continually studying the possibilities of augmenting our water supply for the future. At the present it appears that we have sufficient water to carry us until about 1960. If we are to continue to draw water from Great Pond our Filtration Plant should be expanded. For over ten years we have been exploring the possibility of driven wells, but all of our many attempts have thus far failed until the present time. We have only recently found a site that may produce water in sufficient volume and quality for our needs. If we can produce a well with a capacity of 500,000 gallons daily this will relieve the strain on our Great Pond Filtration Plant and enable us to postpone expansion of this element of our water system for the present.

We always have before us the possibility of entering the Metropolitan Water System, but to date such a course has been almost prohibited in the expense involved. The Legislature has had a Committee investigating the possibility of supplying the South Shore towns with Metropolitan water and we understand there have been several hearings and the committee is now seeking a continuation of their studies to determine the best course of action. They have estimated, I believe, that it will cost between \$4,500,000.00 and \$5,000,000.00 to build a main necessary

to supply these South Shore towns. In addition to our share of this expense we would be under necessity of building a special pumping station as they are unable to deliver us water at a pressure adequate to fill our standpipes.

If the citizens of the Town will be patient we will hope that during the coming year we will be able to improve the quality of our water and propose plans that will take care of our future requirements.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS E. SEARS, Chairman  
JOSEPH LANDERS  
WILLARD P. SHEPPARD  
Board of Water Commissioners

## **REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

To the Board of Water Commissioners:

I hereby submit for your consideration the Sixty-Fifth Annual Report of the Water Supply System including a Financial Report and a list of work performed.

This year was extremely busy for this Department because of the volume of work and the continued difficulty in obtaining sufficient labor at the price of \$1.28 per hour as established by the Personnel Board.

We had planned to lay a 10 inch water main in Peach Street but as the Sewer Department were installing a sewer in the street this work has been postponed until next year. We did purchase the material for this project before prices advanced thereby saving about \$500.00.

In connection with the widening of Hancock Street this Department had to reset three Fire Hydrants move twenty-seven service connection shut-offs and reset twelve main gate boxes.

A total of 20,308 feet of main pipe was laid, 33 Fire Hydrants were set and 397 house connections were laid during the year.

The demands for water are constantly increasing: this year 87,340,000 gallons more water was pumped than



in the previous year. Our average daily pumpage for this year was 2,052,000. This year 65,517,000 gallons passed through the Booster Station while last year we pumped 49,661,000 gallons.

With a total precipitation of 56.5 inches which was 17.5 inches above normal the reservoir remained full in spite of the heavy pumpage during May, June, and July.

Again I wish to record my appreciation to you, the Water Commissioners for your guidance and support and to the employees of the Department for their splendid cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,  
GEORGE N. WATSON,  
Superintendent

**Financial Statement**

Outstanding January 1, 1955

Current Bills .....	\$ 28,454.83	
Liens Committed to		
Assessors .....	840.05	
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Charges Made .....	\$264,958.06	
Abatements .....	159.15	
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		\$294,093.79

Collections

Current Bills .....	\$253,553.18	
Liens Committed .....	6,310.45	
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Outstanding December 31, 1955		\$ 34,230.16
On Current Bills .....	\$ 33,105.57	
On Liens Committed to		
Assessors .....	1,124.59	
	<hr/>	\$ 34,230.16

### Cash

Balance January 1, 1955 .....	\$ 26,352.45
Collections .....	259,863.63
Transferred by Standpipe Account .....	9,292.53
Refunds .....	2.32
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	\$295,510.73
Expenditures .....	232,971.71
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Balance December 31, 1955 .....	\$62,539.02*

\*Petty Cash of \$190.00 Not Included.

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## *South Shore Mosquito Control Project*

### COMMISSIONERS

JOHN B. CLAPP, Chairman, Hingham  
NANCY W. KETCHUM, Secretary, Cohasset  
GEORGE F. BROUSSEAU, Braintree  
GEORGE STARR, Jr., M. D., Duxbury  
PAUL C. ROSS, Hull  
CHARLES P. DUFFEE, Marshfield  
BROOKS RYDER, M. D., Quincy  
PAUL FINNEGAN, Scituate  
HENRY F. GODIN, Weymouth

The town of Braintree appropriated \$5,600 for mosquito control for 1955. This money was used for mosquito control in the town of Braintree by the South Shore Mosquito Control Project, a cooperative effort embracing the city of Quincy, and towns of Braintree, Cohasset, Duxbury, Hingham, Hull, Marshfield, Scituate and Weymouth.

### Type of Control Program

The basic program of control continued to be based on drainage in the off season and larvaciding of all areas found to be breeding during the mosquito season. This was supplemented by the use of a fog generator to combat flying mosquitoes.



## **Aerial Spraying**

The spring spraying of all fresh water swamps, too large to be treated by hand, was done in the latter part of April.

In June it became evident that migration of adult mosquitoes from uncontrolled areas outside the project was occurring. In addition, it was clear that in certain areas, swamps which had been sprayed in April had produced a second batch of mosquitoes. Therefore, an additional treatment was applied.

1,720 acres were sprayed by air in the town of Braintree.

## **Catchbasin Spraying**

This important phase of urban mosquito control was attacked for the first time by the project this past year.

All catchbasins were treated twice during the season and some three times.

Next year, it is anticipated that all basins will be treated at least three times and, if found necessary, a fourth treatment will be applied.

## **Drainage**

Drainage and elimination of mosquito breeding places has been considered the keystone of mosquito control by leaders in the mosquito control field from the very beginning.

The August floods, while they produced large broods of mosquitoes at the time, had an additional and even more costly effect on the operation of the project when one considers the drainage problem.

Many of the streams and culverts previously cleaned were refilled with debris and sand and must receive further attention. Some drainage formerly considered to be in fair shape has now become critical. In addition, the floods in many cases made bad situations even worse.

The above has greatly increased the amount of work the project must do.

The matter of drainage on the salt marshes has been approached from a different viewpoint this year. In

former years all such work was done by hand. This year the project purchased an Oliver OC-6, crawler type tractor equipped with a scavel plow.

This plow is designed specifically for cleaning standard salt marsh ditches. In addition, it is possible to cut new ditches with the machine by making several trips along the line of the desired ditch, each trip digging deeper than the last.

In the town of Braintree, 5,250 feet of ditches have been cleaned, 4,400 feet reclaimed and 1,425 feet of new ditch has been dug. This figure includes both fresh and salt marsh work.

### **Fogging**

This past two seasons the project has had in operation a Todd Insecticidal Fog Applicator, commonly called a Tifa. This machine emits a fog containing small particles of insecticide which drifts with the air currents over the area, wiping out all mosquitoes and other flying insects contacted.

The machine is of considerable value in cutting down invasions of mosquitoes from large breeding places and is our only means of control in areas where our chemicals may contaminate water supply.

The emergence of large numbers of mosquitoes following the floods of August demanded that this machine be operated every night conditions permitted.

### **Plans for Winter**

Throughout the months between the past and coming mosquito breeding seasons much attention will be given to ditching. Work on the salt marsh will be done in the Fall and early Spring and the colder Winter months will be spent in the more protected fresh water areas.

When snow and ice conditions are right, pre-hatch dusting, as was done the last two years, will be done. The success of last year's work along these lines makes it feasible to expand this program to as much as help and weather permit.

In addition to the ground dusting noted above it is planned to make small scale pre-hatch application of DDT dust and DDT granulated insecticide from the air.



Success with either or both materials would enable us to split our application to spray breeding swamps between late winter and early spring. This would relieve the spring work load, which is now very heavy, make it possible to pick optimum weather conditions for application, and relieve the pressure on the air spray companies who are in demand everywhere at that time of the year.

### **Plans for Next Year**

All phases of the work carried on last year will continue. Two phases will be intensified: catch basin work and ditching. Modifications will be applied to the fogging program.

Since weather conditions and terrain have such an effect on fogging operations certain changes in materials used in the machine and changes in method of operation will be made, based on the experience of other projects and recent research.

Catchbasin work will be speeded up by the addition of another unit and operation of the present two for a full season. In addition, in line with recent experience elsewhere, the concentration of the spray will be raised. Indications are that longer residual effect will be achieved.

Ditching with the tractor will proceed throughout the Spring, Summer and Fall. This is in contrast to the past when work was done by hand in the Spring and Fall.

In addition, the crew working with the tractor will be available for fresh water drainage work when tide makes it impossible to work on the salt marsh.

### **Problems to be Solved**

The major problems of this project are three: drift in of adults from uncontrolled areas, weather conditions and availability of aircraft at the time of spring spraying and the condition of main water courses in the several towns.

Events are occurring which point toward the correction of these problems.

In the matter of "drift-in," the formation of this project has increased interest in mosquito control in surrounding areas. There is now before the Legislature a bill to establish mosquito control in all towns of Norfolk

County not now in a project. This will give us protection along approximately one-third of our perimeter. In addition, interest has been intensified in other bordering towns so that in the near future we may get protection from these towns.

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## *Planning Board*

JOSEPH M. MAGALDI, Chairman

WILLIAM G. DYER, Clerk

EDWARD J. ROSE

MITCHELL W. GAWLOWICZ    FREDERICK J. KLAY

HAROLD PEARL, Town Engineer

Residential development during the year 1955 continued at a high level. As a result, the major activity of the Planning Board has been to enforce the rules and regulations of subdivision control as they apply to the layout of streets and the installation of all utilities in new housing projects. Early in January 1955 the rules and regulations governing subdivisions were amended calling for higher standards and further amendments are now being considered to keep pace with changing conditions.

Meetings are held by the board at the Town Hall the first and third Mondays of each month and public hearings are held on all subdivision applications. Many meetings have also been held to discuss problems with other departments and committees. More than 100 plans not coming within the scope of the subdivision control law have been signed in accordance with the General Laws.

The March 1956 Annual Town meeting will be asked to accept more than six miles of new streets which have been constructed by developers in accordance with the rules and regulations of this Board.

The Planning Board has worked closely with the Industrial Development Commission to promote business and industrial activity in the town. Considerable study was devoted to the rezoning of lands to permit business and



Industrial development. Several articles calling for zoning changes are included in the warrant for the annual town meeting.

The Planning Board has kept abreast of the many changes in plans for State Highway Route 128 and the Southeast Expressway as they affect Braintree. Members of the Board have attended hearings held by the State relative to the location of the highways and have at other times conferred with the various officials of the State Department of Public Works regarding proposed ways.

The Planning Board, in its review of the many real estate subdivisions during the past year, has cooperated with the Parks and Playgrounds Commissioners and made definite effort to provide for the increased need for new park and playground facilities. In several instances land for park and playground development has been set aside by the developers for acquisition by the Town at no cost.

The Planning Board wishes to express its grateful appreciation for the cooperation and assistance of town officials, various committee members, and especially to Mr. Harold Pearl, Town Engineer, who has been of invaluable service to us.

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## *Sewer Department*

### **Commissioners**

BERNARD R. ANDREWS, Chairman (Resigned)  
WILLIAM G. DYER (Appointed)  
CHARLES C. TEMPLE                      EARL D. GILLIATT

GEORGE F. BROUSSEAU, Superintendent

### **New Construction:**

A total of 2.4 miles of new sewers were added to the sewerage system. The following tabulation shows the extent and distribution of the year's work.

<i>Location</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>	<i>Pipe Size Inches</i>	<i>Sewer Length Feet</i>
Alden Road	Brewster	Bradford	8	266
Bradford Road	Alden	Milton	8	868
Cavanagh Road	Common	Northerly	8	78
Easement	Bradford	Court	8	280
"	Washington	Old Country Way	12	3,959
"	Old Country Way	South	8	1,596
Old Country Way	Easement	Woodside	8	329
Peach Street	Washington	Summit	8	2,740
Washington St.	Easement	Peach	8	972
Weededge Ave.	Woodside	South	8	832
Woodside Ave.	Old Country Way	Summit	8	713
Total				12,638

Total 1955 Construction	2.4 Miles
Previous Construction	45.1 Miles

Total Constructed to Date	47.5 Miles
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The sewers in Alden Road, Bradford Road and Easement from Bradford to Court were constructed by and at the expense of the private developer. This work, totalling 1,414 feet, was done under the supervision of the Sewer Department in accordance with current contract construction specifications.

The short 78 foot stub for Cavanagh Road was done by the Sewer Department. All of the remaining work, 11,141 feet, was done under a unit price contract by Giangrande-Andreasse, Inc., theirs being the lowest bid received from 11 contractors. The contract work was not completed. There remains about 1,200 feet in the Woodside area to be done next spring.

The total cost of the year's contract work amounted to \$125,022, or an average of \$11.22 per linear foot. This work made the sewer available to 93 buildings including the new South Junior High School on Peach Street and all of the Norfolk County Hospital buildings off South Street. The present sewer system can serve 4,018 or about 52 per-cent of the 7,770 dwellings, business and industrial buildings in the town. During the past year 423 new buildings were erected or under construction that will eventually require sewage facilities. Only 52 of the new buildings were within the present sewered area.



### **Assessments:**

Sewer assessments amounting to \$60,406.07 were levied against 98 properties. Assessments against property where the sewer was constructed at the expense of the developer, were levied at 60 per-cent of the normal rate in accordance with the present policy of the Sewer Board. In accordance with an agreement with the Norfolk County Commissioners, an assessment of \$25,000.00 was levied against the Norfolk County Hospital.

### **House Connections**

There were 204 sewer connections, totalling 11,602 feet made by the Sewer Department at a total cost of \$46,618.60. The sewer connection to the new South Junior High School and the connection to the Norfolk County Hospital, totalling 501 feet in length, were done under contract at a total cost of \$4,106.50. There were 64 applications on file at the end of the year that will have to wait until spring before work can be started.

Upon application of the owner, the department will make a sewer connection. The whole cost of the work is charged to the owner, but the Town will finance it at 4 per-cent, over a maximum period of 20 years, if desired.

### **Maintenance:**

During the winter months all of the main and lateral sewers were cleaned and inspected. There were no stoppages, but a number of streets had root growths that would have caused trouble if the regular cleaning had been omitted. There was a broken pipe in the Morrison Street sewer that had to be removed and replaced. For several years now, a number of lateral sewers have been treated with copper sulphate in an attempt to discourage root penetration. This treatment seems to be effective.

A total of 26 manhole frames were raised to conform to new street grades, principally on Common Street and West Street.

During the heavy rainfall of August 19 most of the sewers became surcharged due to draining ground water out of cellars by removal of the clean-out cap from the

sewer service. This caused the 30-inch main sewer to overflow into Fore River for about a week. Again during heavy rainfall on November 5, the 30-inch main sewer overflowed for about two days.

The sanitary sewer system was not designed to take storm water flow, and sewer regulations prohibit the removal of clean out caps to drain water out of cellars. Violators are subject to prosecution. Unless this dangerous practice is stopped it will prove very costly to the Town as well as the individual violator.

When Smelt Brook overflowed at Weymouth Landing during the August flood, water came 9 inches over the top of the entrance enclosure at the Brookside Road pumping station and the motors and switchboard were completely under water. The next day the station was dewatered and restored to service again without drying out the motors or switchboard. The station has since functioned satisfactorily except for some solenoid coils on the controls burning out.

The other pumping stations did not suffer any flood damage. However, at the Common Street pumping station the flow, due to cellar drainage, was so heavy both pumps ran continuously for several days. Also, at the Common Street station a piece of metal caught between the impeller and suction elbow and damaged them so that both had to be replaced.

Mr. Bernard R. Andrews, Chairman of the Sewer Board for 11 years, resigned October 28. During his term of office, contracts totalling more than 1¼ million dollars were let for the construction of some 25 miles of main and lateral sewers. Mr. Andrews has served the Town in many ways, and has always given freely of his time. His service and advice have been invaluable. Mr. William G. Dyer was appointed November 28 to fill the vacancy on the Sewer Board.

Our sincere thanks and appreciation for the valuable assistance and cooperation by other departments of the Town, and especially the County Engineer who materially aided the Sewer Department in accomplishing its work.



## *Wiring Inspector*

ARTHUR F. LUCAS, Inspector

GEORGE W. CHARLESWORTH, Deputy

Permits Issued in 1955:

New Houses .....	415
New Schools .....	1
Miscellaneous .....	763

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Total Permits Issued	1179
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Fees collected from January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955—\$2,407.75.

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## *Board of Health*

Harrison T. Smiley, Chairman

John J. Atkinson, Clerk

James A. C. Smith

Deane R. Walker, Agent

Herewith is submitted the annual report of the Braintree Board of Health for the year ending December 31, 1955.

**Dental Clinics:** At the opening of the school year dental examinations were given to all the pupils from kindergarten through the eighth grades.

The local dentists were contacted and they volunteered their services to do the general examinations.

Following the examinations, notices went home to the parents of those children who were found in need of dental attention.

On the notices it was requested that all parents arrange for the dental work to be done by their family dentist.

Those cards returned requesting clinic were carefully studied and consulted with the teachers of the building where the child was attending school, also district supervisor, district principal and school nurse.

If there was still doubt in regard to these clinical cases, I contacted Visiting Nurses Association for further information before accepting them.

By determining the numbers of days in the school year that the dentist could work and considering the increased population the condition of the teeth in each building, a working schedule was planned where by the clinic would remain in each building a certain number of weeks during the year.

The dental hygienist precedes the dentist organizing the schedule in each building and giving prophylactic and fluoride treatments to the clinical cases.

If it is possible the dental hygienist works in two schools in advance to the dentist's schedule.

After the general examinations the local dentist commented on the vast improvement all over the town in the condition they found the children's teeth.

For the educational part of the program, dental posters were hung in each building, also reading materials pertaining to dental health and brushing habits at home were distributed.

Due to lack of time, Miss Hayden, Director of Visual Education suggested that the films pertaining to Dental Health be shown after the first of the year.

However, a new film strip on "Brushing Teeth" has been shown in various classrooms including kindergarten groups through the third grades.

Forty-six children were given a prophylaxis, sixty-eight sodium flouride treatments were given to grades two and five.

In closing I would like to thank principals, teachers, nurses of the Board of Health and local dentist for their valued services.

#### **Visits for Education Materials:**

Hood Milk Co.

State House

National Dairy Counsels

Educational Materials acquired by mail



American Dental Association, Chicago, Ill.  
Pycope Tooth Brush Co.  
Kolynos Tooth Brush Co.  
Ipana Co., New York  
New England Dairy Food Counsel  
Church and Dwight Co., Inc.  
Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.

**Diphtheria Clinic:** The Diphtheria Clinic held in the spring was well attended. Some 40 children had the triple antigen shots of diphtheria tetanus-pertussis, and 450 children had the booster shots administered consisting of diphtheria and tetanus toxoids. Those children administered by their own doctor were 335 in number, making in all a grand total of 825 children having had the necessary shots. Again the co-operative agencies of the Braintree Visiting Nurse Association, the School Department nurses and the attending physicians served to make this clinic a success.

**Milk Testing:** Once each month samples of milk were taken from dealers delivering milk in Braintree. These samples were tested for butter fat, total solids, phosphatase, bacteria and coli. These tests reveal that the milk being delivered in Braintree maintains a consistently high level. It is pleasing to report that no milk-borne disease has occurred in Braintree, for quite some few years. Any resident of Braintree, so desiring, can review the results of these tests at the Board of Health Office.

**Eating and Drinking Establishments:** The over-all results of the program for the inspection of eating and drinking establishments, including the Schools and Industrial Cafeterias indicate a steady and healthy graph of improvement. A bi-monthly test of all establishments was made and the results of these tests (bacteria count) were forwarded to each establishment. In the event of high bacteria count was recorded, an immediate re-check test was conducted, and steps taken to remedy questionable sources of high incident.

**Tuberculosis Prevention, Communicable Diseases and Health Education:** The execution of the various programs connected with the above named captions have been very ably efficiently carried out by the Braintree Visiting Nurse Association. Braintree still continues to report a low incident of communicable diseases. Credit

should also be given to the Braintree School Department Health Division for its active participation in the co-operative and assistance rendered to these Health Programs.

Constant use of the facilities of the State Department of Public Health, and the South Metropolitan Division of the State Department of Public Health was employed. Their ready and willing co-operation in all matters have been most helpful and appreciative.

### **Polio Clinics**

The Board of Health in conjunction with the Braintree Visiting Nurse Association, School Health Department, and all the Doctors conducted the first Polio Clinic during the months of May and June, 1955.

The Clinics were held at the Jonas Perkins School, Watson School, Penniman School, Donald Ross School, Noan Torrey School, Highlands School, Monatiquot School and the Lakeside School.

In all a total of 759 children received their first inoculation of Polio vaccine.

The Board of Health through this medium express its gratitude to the doctors, the Braintree Visiting Nurse Association and their auxiliaries, and the School Health Department for their gracious co-operation in this program.

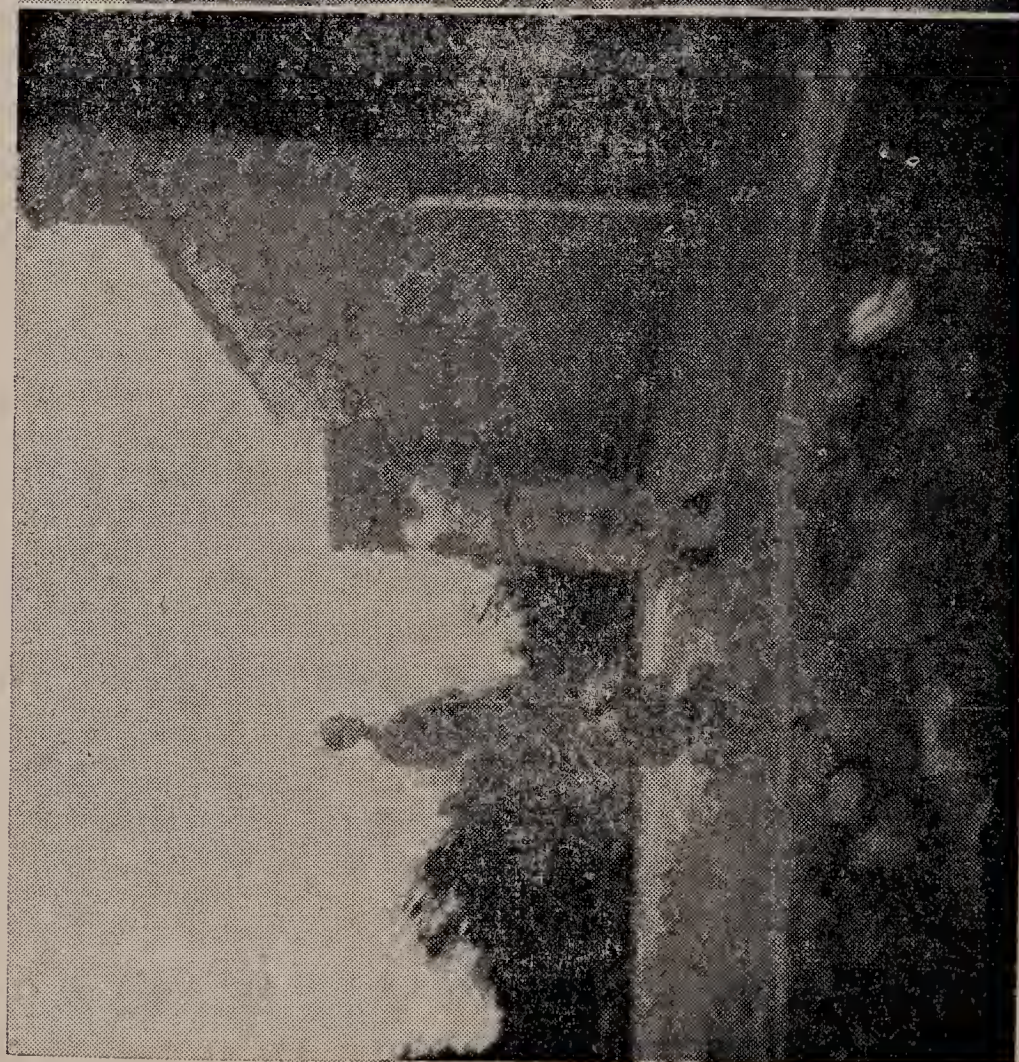
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## *Parks and Playgrounds*

During 1955 eleven playgrounds and two swimming areas were operated by the Braintree Parks and Playgrounds Commission. A full program of athletics, arts and crafts, and games were enjoyed by hundreds of Braintree youngsters during the summer. A high point in the program during the past season was an expansion of the swimming program. Over 1400 children registered for swimming lessons under Red Cross trained instructors. In addition to the instructive phase of our water program additional thousands enjoyed recreational swimming at Sunset Lake and Swifts Beach. We had a fine staff of



# HANDBALL COURT



AFTER



BEFORE



lifeguards and playground instructors during the season. Unfortunately, the polio epidemic decreased attendance at the beach and playgrounds during the latter part of the season.

The Board of Parks and Playgrounds Commissioners are making every effort to improve and expand the Town Park system, in order to keep abreast with the increase in the Town population.

During the past year the Park Department operated three new playgrounds each in a different part of town, Foster School in Braintree Highlands, Lakeside School in North Braintree, and Faxon Street Playground in East Braintree. We have started construction on a new playground at the Dyer Hill section of town.

The Park Departments ten baseball fields were used every night by the Braintree Little League. The regulation Little League field at Watson Park is a credit to the men of the East Braintree Little League who built it. Two additional ball fields laid out this past year, one at Watson Park and the other at Hollingsworth Park will be finished this year.

A new combination Volley-ball and basketball court was built in back of the Hollis school. This court is equipped with lights for night play. This court proved to be very popular.

During the coming year the Commission will make every effort to meet the requests of the Schools, Little League, Cub, Boy and Girl Scouts, industrial organizations and Drum and Bugle Corps to use our Parks for their enjoyment, and at the same time to continue our own organized play and swimming programs.

GEORGE F. LEBEN, Chairman  
DR. EDGAR L. COPP  
EARL C. HOLLIS  
ELMER E. RAYMOND, JR.  
HARRY F. VINTON, JR.  
GEORGE H. SNYDER, JR.  
WILLIAM G. DYER



## *Moth Department*

JOHN Q. WENTWORTH, Superintendent

We beg to submit our report on the activities of the Moth Department for the year 1955.

### PRIVATE PROPERTY SPRAYING

The procedure for spraying on private property for other than Elm trees: the party for whom the spraying is to be done, makes application and payment to the Town Treasurer, who in turn forwards to us copy of the receipt of payment.

This copy of the receipt is authority to spray.

### DUTCH ELM DISEASE

132 samples of suspected trees were sent to the University of Massachusetts Shade Tree Laboratories, at Amherst, Mass.

Report of their diagnosis was as follows:

Diseased	77
Sterile	55

Contract let for the removal of diseased trees,

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## *Highway Department*

JOHN Q. WENTWORTH, Superintendent

We beg to submit our report on the activities of the Highway Department for the year 1955.

### **Maintenance**

Streets and sidewalks were cleaned throughout the Town. The business centers were cleaned daily.

All catch basins and drains were cleaned.

Drains repaired where needed.

### **Patching—Repairs**

Town streets, Sidewalks, Fences and Guard Rails were repaired where needed.

## Street Resurfacing

Suface treated about 85,390 lin. ft.  
Used 72,000 gals. of asphalt.

## Signs—New

Street Signs	9	Dead End	3
School Zone	12	Not a Thru Way	3
Children	18	Curve	2
Narrow Road	1	I Hour Parking	4
Driveway	1		

## Street Painting

Crosswalks at all schools, streets, intersections and traffic meters were painted.

## Snow Removal

All streets were plowed and sanded as soon as possible

Salting begins in Business Centers, Main Streets, Hills and Intersections as soon as snow covered the ground.

Salt used 83 tons.

Sand used 1915 tons.

## New Construction

Common Street	2350 Lin. ft.
Brookside Road—Fence	750 Lin. ft.
Grove Street—Sidewalk	1500 Lin. ft.
E. B. Square Sidewalk concrete	204 Lin. ft.
S. B. Square Sidewalk concrete	152 Lin. ft.

## New Construction Drains

Union St. Relay	1000 ft. 18" Concrete pipe, 2 manholes.
Watson St.	200 ft. 12" Concrete pipe, 4 catch basins, 1 manhole.
Common St.	344 ft. 36" Concrete pipe 1 manhole.
Pond St.	240 ft. 10" Concrete pipe 1 manhole.
Acorn St.	140 ft. 36" Arched Metal Pipe.
Thayer Rd.	477 ft. 10" Concrete Pipe, 1 catch basin, 2 manholes.



Watson St. 130 ft. 10" Concrete Pipe 4 catch basin,  
2 manholes.

Common St. 450 ft. 12" Concrete Pipe 13 catch  
basin, 6 manholes.

Cavanaugh Rd. 250 ft. 10" Concrete Pipe, 2 catch  
basin.

### **New Construction Streets Resurfaced (Asphalt Concrete)**

West Street 3000 Lin. .ft.

### **New Construction Sidewalks Resurfaced**

#### **(Asphalt Concrete 1")**

Holbrook Ave. 500 Lin. ft.

Shaw St. Mill Lane to Commercial St. 1200 Lin. ft.

Shaw St., Allen St. to end of curb West  
side 800 Lin. ft.

Front St. 1700 Lin. ft.

Edgemont Rd. 1900 Lin. ft.

Mt. Vernon Ave. 1800 Lin. ft.

Academy St. Washington to Brow Ave. 600 Lin. ft.

### **Chapter 90 Construction**

Hancock St. 2200 Lin. ft.

### **Improvement of Streets Under the Betterment Act**

Sagamore St. 300 Lin. ft.

Azel Rd. 310 Lin. ft.

Marshfield Rd. 283 Lin. ft.

Home Park Rd. 332 Lin. ft.

Academy St. (partial) 650 Lin. ft. curbing

### **Streets Under Construction By Private Developers**

Addison St.; Burton Rd.; Calvin St.; Davis Rd.;  
Eleanor Drive; Fallon Circle, Alden Rd.; Bradford Rd.;  
Virginia Rd.; Cain Ave.; Court St.; Selwyn Rd.; Belknap  
Rd.; Cranmore Rd.; Stevens Rd.; Webb St.; Regis Rd.;  
Holly Rd.; Hemlock St.; Penniman Rd.; Richard Rd.;  
Alida Rd.; Linda Rd.; Oak Hill Rd.; Worthington Circle;  
and Marcia Rd.

### **Bridge Construction**

Jefferson St.

## **Rubbish Collection**

Collections are made monthly, beginning the **FIRST MONDAY** in precincts 1 and 2.

The **SECOND MONDAY** in precincts 3 and 4.

The **THIRD MONDAY** in precincts 5 and 6.

Holidays falling on a Monday, rubbish will begin the following day.

## **HURRICANE DIANE AUGUST 19th and 20th**

Due to a recorded 12" rainfall, all rivers and brooks overflowed the Monatiquot River.

Flooded at Plain at Intersection of 128; Pearl St.; Union St.; River St.; Middle St.; and Adams St.

Bridge washout at Middle St. to be replaced by State of Mass. in conjunction with the Southeast Expressway construction.

Washouts occurred on Walnut Street.

The so called Smelt overflowed and caused extensive damage to property in the East Braintree, Weymouth Landing area.

The Division of Waterways of the State Department of Public Works, are in the progress of making a survey for both the Smelt Brook and the Monatiquot River, and undoubtedly they will submit a report and make recommendation to eliminate a recurrence of flooding in the future.

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## *Department of Veteran's Services*

GEORGE A. SHORTLE, Director

Expenditures for 1955 show a marked increase over the preceding year due to increased number of cases and heavy medical expenses. The cost of recipients in Convalescent Homes and Hospitals has been a major one, and it is anticipated that hospitalization costs will be increased during the coming year.

The facilities of the Department are available to Veterans and their dependents at all times for assistance, consultation and advice on matters pertaining to all phases of problems of the veteran and their families.



## *Industrial Business and Development Commission Report For The Year 1955*

This Commission has met with the various Town Departments and Boards to discuss mutual problems and to become acquainted with the problems facing each of us. The Commission also met with representatives of the Massachusetts Department of Commerce in order to understand the purpose of Industrial Commissions in the State and to secure an understanding of how these Commissions should operate.

The Commission attended preliminary meetings with Arthur Boynton and representatives of the Filene Department Store to formulate plans for a shopping center to be located in the northwest corner of Braintree, off Granite Street. This development was to tie in with the proposed new Route 128 and would occupy approximately 100 acres in the area mentioned. With the cooperation of the Planning Board, prior zoning was recommended to the Town Meeting and passed by that meeting, changing the zoning from residential to business in March 1955.

After preliminary meetings with a representative of Tedeschi Super Market and in cooperation with the Planning Board, rezoning of a plot at Liberty and Grove Streets from residential to business was passed by the Town Meeting in March and as a result Tedeschi have now erected a modern super market on the site.

As a result of the survey of the Town of Braintree made by this Commission it was noted that there is land available which if properly developed, could be used for industrial purposes. There is considerable interest shown in these areas for industrial use. As this interest is continuing this Commission, upon further study, will recommend that action be taken to set aside these areas for industrial development.

This Commission wishes to thank the other Boards and Departments of the Town for their wholehearted cooperation and help in the solution of problems facing the Commission.

Very truly yours,

PAUL H. YOUNG, Chairman

## *Engineering Department*

HAROLD C. PEARL, Town Engineer

Lines and grades were furnished to the Highway Department for the following: ROAD CONSTRUCTION—Thayer Road 456 feet; Massachusetts Avenue 750 feet; Watson Street 170 feet; Sagamore Street 200 feet; Home Park Road 335 feet (restaked); Marshfield Road 270 feet (restaked). SIDEWALKS—Academy Street 680 feet; Brookside Road 1541 feet. DRAINS—Acorn Street 140 feet; Walnut Street 170 feet; Watson Street 190 feet.

Plans were prepared for the following: STREET LAYOUTS—Veranda Road, Massachusetts Avenue, Sagamore Street, Lakeside Drive. SIDEWALK LAYOUTS—Cotton Avenue, Faxon Street, Lincoln Street, Audubon Avenue, Shaw Street, Stetson Street, Willard Street, Arborway Drive, Brookside Road. DRAIN EASEMENTS—West Street, Franklin Street, Hobart Street. MISCELLANEOUS—Proposed parking area off Brookside Road.

Street lines were furnished upon request on the following public ways: Howard Street, Middle Street, Walnut Street, Hamilton Street, Ferncroft Road.

Miscellaneous Projects: SCHOOL DEPARTMENT—Survey and plan for land taking on Liberty Street. PARK DEPARTMENT—Lines and grades at Watson Park; Layouts of baseball fields at Lakeside School and French's Common; Layout of basketball Court at Monatiquot School; Fence line staked on Gordon Road. POLICE DEPARTMENT—Plan of intersection of Washington Street, Hawthorn Road and Fairfield Street. ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT—Pole locations staked on Pearl Street, Lakeside Drive, Victoria Avenue, Middle Street, Liberty Street and Home Park Road.

At the request of the Selectmen, all Town Bounds at the Braintree-Weymouth town lines were perambulated.

All deeds and subdivisions were checked and plotted accordingly on Assessors Plans together with four hundred nineteen new houses, also additions and other buildings. Four new Assessors Plans were drawn.



## Tree Warden

Board of Selectmen  
Town Hall  
S. Braintree, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit the annual report for the year 1955.

All of the unfinished work resulting from the recent hurricanes has been completed. The Electric Light Department pruned all trees interfering with the electric service throughout the town. which has minimized electric failures.

I planted 215 trees throughout the town to replace those lost due to storm and other causes. I also planted six hundred seedlings in the tree bank which will be used in the future for replacement purposes to enable my department to maintain a favorable tree population in the town of Braintree. The tree bank now contains one thousand trees.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Highway, Police, Fire and Electric Light Departments for their assistance and cooperation during the year 1955.

### Summary

	Appropriated	Expended	Unexpended
Salary . . . . .	\$2,200.00	\$2,200.00	\$
General Care . . . . .	3,000.00	2,997.35	2.65
Tree Removal . . . . .	2,900.00	2,675.00	225.00
New Trees . . . . .	1,000.00	986.56	13.44
Tree Bank . . . . .	500.00	500.00	
Totals . . . . .	9,600.00	\$9358.91	\$241.09

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN F. LEETCH  
Tree Warden

## *Building Inspector*

JOHN C. PAFFORD, Building Inspector

DANIEL A. MALONEY, Deputy

	Permits Issued	Estimated Values
Dwellings .....	419	\$3,317,600.00
Garages (Private) .....	61	49,955.00
Foundations for Dwellings .....	2	1,300.00
Barn .....	1	1,800.00
Armory .....	1	249,000.00
School .....	1	900,000.00
Telephone Exchange .....	1	95,000.00
Stores .....	2	107,500.00
Office Building .....	1	3,500.00
Storage Buildings .....	3	18,500.00
Fruit Stand .....	1	4,000.00
Crane Enclosure .....	1	7,500.00
All other new construction .....	5	1,690.00
Additions, Alterations and Repairs	211	302,306.00
Razing .....	9	
Estimated value of construction .		\$5,059,651.00
Fees received for permits .....		6,577.50
Total permits .....		719

Estimated value of building in the Town increased approximately 80% over 1954.

Fees received were more than double those received in 1954.

Income of the department (as was the case for several years) exceeded all expenses and for 1955 shows a surplus of approximately \$3,000.00.

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## *Board of Assessors*

Arthur E. Boynton, Chairman

Reginald P. Fitzgerald, Clerk

Chester W. Nelson

Conforming with the By-Laws of the Town, we herewith submit our annual report for the year ending December 31, 1955.

This has been another most active year, new construction has continued at a new high level; many new homes have been constructed and transfers have continued to increase, causing a greatly increased work load to fall on the office personnel and the Board.

Our office staff has done a fine job, under these conditions, striving to keep up with this ever increasing problem, with the same equipment and personnel. Our sincere thanks and appreciation for this fine spirit of co-operation.

A comparison of figures for 1950 and 1955 indicate clearly what is happening in our town. The number of dwelling units in 1950 were 5494, with a total valuation (real estate only) of \$36,462,270; 1955, 6617 dwelling units with a valuation (real estate only) of \$45,287,890. Motor vehicle, 1950, 9778 automobiles, Excise tax \$152,588.68. 1955, 13189 automobiles; excise tax \$299,826.62. These figures are indicative of this continued growth.

Serious consideration should be given to intelligent planning for controlled industrial development which would help greatly in a balanced growth. Our Planning Board and Industrial Development Commission, in co-operation with other Departments, are doing a fine job in this direction.

Your Board will continue to do its best to serve all fairly and equitably and at this time wish to express our thanks to all other Town Departments and our office staff for this help and co-operation.

# 1955 RECAPITULATION

Figures Used in  
 Fixing Tax Rate

G. L. Chap, 59: 23, 25

All Appropriations Voted Since 1954 Tax Rate Was Fixed:	\$4,141,341.80
Debt and Interest Charges	10,666.25
Court Judgments	39,264.58
Overlay Deficits	1,189.82
Hurricane Deficit 12/31/54	53,645.01
State: Tax and Assessments	77,850.84
County: Tax and Assessments	106,428.35
Overlay of Current Year	62,226.76

Gross Amount to be Raised	\$4,492,613.41
Estimated Receipts	\$1,297,588.89
Available Funds	362,408.36

Total Deductions	\$1,659,997.25
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Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation on Polls and Property	\$2,832,616.16
Number of Polls: 7402 @ \$2.00 each	\$ 14,804.00
Valuations: Personal Estate	\$1,728,930.00 @ \$59.90
Real Estate	\$45,287.890.00 @ \$59.90
Special Commitment April 30, 1955 @ \$50.00	2,712,750.09
Personal Estate	1,450
Real Estate	72.50
	1,426.50

Total Taxes Levied on Polls and Property	\$2,832,616.16
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# *Thayer Public Library*

STACY B. SOUTHWORTH, Chairman

Mabel S. Rogers, Sec.  
Gordon W. Bryant

Clara G. Wetherbee  
Ralph B. Woodsum

The Trustees of the Thayer Public Library present the following report of the Librarian:

## REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

Miriam Hall

### ANNUAL REPORT

1955

Recently, a gentleman approached the circulation desk at the library and asked if we could give him information on "How to tie a turban". During the course of conversation, it appeared that the gentleman was going to wear a turban at a costume party and he wanted to be sure that he had it tied correctly. He also volunteered the information that whenever his family wanted to know something, they always went to the library first. After some search on the part of the librarian, he was supplied with material which satisfied him, and he went off with the words, "The Library wins Again." This is an actual incident; the quotation is exact.

This might well serve as a slogan for this Review of 1955. The Library has won again; it has had a successful year thanks to the increasing number of library borrowers who have made use of the services of information and reading guidance offered by the Library; and thanks especially to the cooperation and untiring efforts of the fine staff, who serve these citizens.

### MAIN LIBRARY

In 1955, the circulation of books, periodicals, and pamphlets, at the Main Library reached a new record of 206,306; an increase of 18,583 over 1954. In 1951, only four years ago, the total circulation for the **Whole System** reached 200,000 for the first time. This shows definitely what effect the new Library Building has had upon the

Town: the Library is being used. Many times during the year, staff members have reported experiencing unusually busy days. A comparison between the following tables will show the trend of larger single days circulation. At the same time this means more time spent on reference and information to borrowers.

### 13 LARGEST SINGLE DAYS

1954		1955	
Nov. 29	989	July 25	1230
Nov. 15	951	Aug. 8	1172
Oct. 11	913	Jan. 3	1068
Aug. 9	890	Apr. 20	1045
Nov. 1	834	Aug. 22	1041
Sept. 8	834	June 24	996
June 28	833	Feb. 23	950
July 26	801	Feb. 21	943
Sept. 27	799	Aug. 15	938
Feb. 15	756	Nov. 14	924
Oct. 6	734	Mar. 7	911
July 30	714	July 6	900
Aug. 2	710	Nov. 19	900

It is particularly interesting to note that in 1955 the largest days circulation occurred in the middle of the summer. Three of the five days over 1000 were also in the summer. This would seem to indicate a change in the reading habits of the public, for previously July and August were considered the quietest time of the year.

### BUSINESS MEN USE THE LIBRARY

When a new type of reference book is added somewhat as an experiment, it is very gratifying to find that it has proved its worth. A few years ago the library added the MOODY'S INVESTORS SERVICES starting with one service, INDUSTRIALS. Now the library subscribes to four: INDUSTRIALS, PUBLIC UTILITIES, TRANSPORTATIONS, and, alternating each year, GOVERNMENTS AND BANKS & FINANCE. It has become a regular ritual with many borrowers (not only men, but women) to come to the library the same time each week and examine these services. WALL ST. JOURNAL is another addition which appeals to men. With the growth in businesses of departments of Personnel Management there is more and more



need for material to answer this demand. PRENTICE HALL PERSONNEL POLICIES AND PRACTICES is a service kept up to date weekly which is answering this need. One borrower recently told us that it was the best thing he had seen in this field. Law books of a general nature, which are not too technical and which are not too expensive are hard to find. The library is not qualified and has no right to give legal answers, and we can only try to answer a borrower's question in a general way, and suggest to him other sources of information. A business man wishing to establish a small boat yard, recently asked us what were his RIPARIAN RIGHTS in a particular locality. Labor problems also make necessary additional and up-to-date material.

### YOUNG ADULTS USE THE LIBRARY

Mrs. Jeannette Tovet, librarian in charge of work with Young Adults, pays deserved tribute to Mrs. Isabel Handy Ross, who has during the past three years rendered unusual service in the development of this special library department. This department aims to stimulate and maintain the interest of our teen-agers in reading for pleasure and profit and using the library to assist them in preparation of school assignments. The success of the department is more than just indicated by the large number of boys and girls who come in immediately after school and who crowd the tables each evening. The three secondary schools are well represented as well as many colleges.

A special selection of books labeled Y are arranged in the YA section in the same order that similar books are found in the adult section. In this way, the young people familiarize themselves with the library system of classification and learn to identify the numbers on the backs of the books with subject matter inside. Many teachers request special shelves of books to be used by students doing research work in civics, science, literature, etc., and the library often sets up groups of books of particular interest.

The tremendous cost of a college education has made both parents and students aware of the need for possible ways to supplement their own income, and for making a careful choice of the college they will attend. The library's large collection of college catalogs is constantly in demand, along with LOVEJOY'S COLLEGE GUIDE and LOVEJOY'S VOCATIONAL GUIDE to suggest train-

ing for specialized vocations, as well as liberal arts backgrounds. Reference sources such as the two volumes of SCHOLARSHIPS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND LOANS, and YOUR OPPORTUNITY give a surprising list of special funds, prizes, competitions and grants for which a student may apply.

## CHILDREN USE THE LIBRARY

From Mrs. Dorothy Blair, Children's Librarian comes the following report of activity and enthusiasm among the children who use the library:

Now that the children of Braintree have their own beautiful and adequate Children's Library, they are enjoying it in ever increasing numbers. Approximately 1,000 children registered for new library cards during 1955. Over 111,000 children's books were circulated from this department at the Main Library. There has been a 50 % increase in books moving across the Children's Room charging desk since we moved into the new building.

A trend in children's reading is a marked increase in the reading of non-fiction, especially by boys. The circulation of Biographies alone has increased about a thousand a year in recent years, and the reading of science is becoming popular. Boys are discovering that "reading" does not refer necessarily to "stories"; and publishers are offering very attractive and easy-to-read biographical, historical and nature material. New interests are opened up by television programs, and Scouting activities.

The Thayer Public Library and the public schools are working ever more cooperatively. Not only are the books that we lend to each classroom being used more and more, but every afternoon children come for books for their school work. They need books for classroom "book reports", books on special topics, and books rated acceptable for State Reading Certificates. Helping the children find all of these keeps one librarian busy during the "after-school peak".

Now that the Library has ample room, it is able to increase its work with groups of children. During 1955, 69 groups totaling over 1800 children visited the library. School classes came to borrow books individually or to see exhibits of new books. Scout groups came for story



hours, or to work for the Readers Badge. In addition, the Library ran two series of Story Hours: a summer vacation series and a mid-winter series. Groups such as these introduce to the library, children who might never discover it alone.

### ART EXHIBITS NEW FEATURE OF LIBRARY SERVICE

This year for the first time, due to the fine facilities of the library auditorium and exhibit room, the library staff felt they could sponsor a full art exhibit. The exhibit was discussed and originally planned in the Spring of 1955, with Mrs. Isabel Ross in charge. In September of 1955, plans were completed by a committee consisting of Miss Florence Potter, Chairman, Mrs. Jeannette Tovet from the library staff, and Mrs. Stanley Smith, a library borrower and member of the South Shore Arts and Crafts Guild. They were helped immeasurably by the cooperation of the rest of the library staff as well as by the artists who contributed their fine works and also gave the names of others artists who might be contacted.

The exhibit began on October 10, 1955, and was shown in four groups, each being hung for two weeks. The emphasis was on variety of materials and techniques so that many different artists were encouraged to exhibit. It was decided to limit the group of artists to South Shore residents so that it would be an entirely local exhibit.

All of the four groups were very enthusiastically received by library patrons and also by many out-of-town visitors who welcomed a chance to view such an exhibit. Most of the 38 contributing artists were not professional, since one of the intentions of the exhibit was to give those who paint for a hobby a chance to show their works and discuss painting with others who share their interest. The interest which has been aroused in art as a hobby is shown in the greatly increased circulation of library books on painting, sketching and other forms of creative art. Because of popular demand, the Library hopes that it will have sufficient staff to resume these exhibits in the future.

### EXTENSION SERVICES

The BRANCH LIBRARIES constitute an important part of the total library picture for borrowers who do not

find the Main Library conveniently accessible. The East Braintree Branch was forced to close for ten days in December when the furnace completely gave out and had to be replaced. A new gas heater was installed and the branch was reopened on January 3. The old twelve foot long table which has been in the branch for so many years has finally been replaced by three small round tables and half of the chairs are new with attractive colored seats. The Trustees hope to replace the rest of the chairs in the present year.

Braintree Highlands Branch has been enjoying its enlarged and new attractive quarters. The increased school population and the greater use of library facilities offered at the branch have increased the book circulation. This is especially true in the number of books sent out from this branch for school deposits; in this item there was an increase of 135%.

The Braintree Branch is located less than a mile from the Main Library; as a consequence an increasing number of Braintree readers are coming to South Braintree to avail themselves of the facilities of the larger library. If this trend continues, and thereby further reduces the circulation of books at the Braintree Branch, the Trustees may be called upon to weigh the question of whether or not the Branch should be further maintained by a Town Appropriation.

But at the present time there is a considerable number of Braintree people who do not have automobile transportation to the Main Library; these are the persons whom the Braintree Branch now serves. The Trustees do not feel that they are yet justified in recommending the closing of the Braintree Branch.

Another problem which will require study by the Trustees is the best means of providing adequate library service to the rapidly growing population in the outlying areas of the Town. An increasing number of towns in the Commonwealth are attempting to solve the problem by the use of Bookmobiles rather than by the establishment of additional library branches.

## STAFF TURNOVER

It seems that for many years an organization will go along with few changes, and then have a turnover of more



than half its permanent personnel all at once. Such has been the case at the Library this year. In June, Mrs. Frazier, the assistant in the Children's Room, moved with her husband to Maryland; in June,, Isabel Handy married and left in September to work in the Newton Library nearer to her home in Auburndale. The two weeks from November 5-19 saw the departure of three more full time staff members. Mrs. Ruth Beach, left to live with her sister in California; Miss Florence Potter was married and moved to Burlington; and Mrs. Chiarelli left to take a job in a Cambridge office where she received more money than it was possible for us to pay her. All of these vacancies are at the Main Library. In spite of the new building and fine working conditions, the Trustees have not been able to fill these vacancies with experienced, qualified personnel because of the low salary schedule under which the Library must operate. The remainder of the staff and the temporary help with whom we have had to fill in are to be commended for the wonderful spirit of helpfulness and cooperation which they have shown and for the extra duties they have assumed; but the fundamental services of the Library are being seriously hampered because of this shortage of personnel.

## CONCLUSION

At the beginning of this report, we illustrated the success of the past year with one incident of a satisfied borrower and mentioned that it is the library user himself who contributes in great measure to this success.

What about you? Have you a LIBRARY CARD?

Have you asked a REFERENCE or INFORMATION QUESTION this year? Have you used the MUSIC ROOM; borrowed RECORDS or used the RECORD PLAYER? Have you asked for suggestions of a GOOD BOOK TO READ? Have you used the quiet STUDY TABLES in the mezzanine and basement stacks? Have you enjoyed the ART EXHIBITS in the auditorium and DISPLAYS in wall cases?

Your money makes these services possible. They are for you. In 1956 why not get full value for your money?

BE A LIBRARY USER IN 1956.

## LIBRARY STATISTICS 1955

### Circulation

Main Library			
Adults	95,090	+12,421	+15 %
Juvenile	111,216	+ 6,162	+ 6 %
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Total	206,306	+18,583	+10 %
Branches			
Adult	36,339	— 2,982	
Juvenile	31,382	— 2,789	
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Total	67,721	— 5,771	— 5 %
Grand Total	274,027	+12,812	+ 5 %

The juvenile circulation at the Main Library includes books which circulated over the desk at the Library, and books which circulated from classroom deposits at the schools. 60,340 over the desk; 50,876 from school deposits.

Circulation of records	604
Circulation per capita based on 1955 population	10.2
Largest single days circulation whole system	
September 6	1456
Largest single day's circulation, Main Library	
July 25	1230

### Book Stock January 1, 1956

	Adult	Juvenile	Total
Volumes Jan. 1, 1955 . . . . .	35,343	13,311	48,654
Volumes added 1955 . . . . .	2,010	1,278	3,288
Volumes withdrawn 1955 ..	694	551	1,245
Total volumes Dec. 31, 1955	36,659	14,038	50,697
Recordings Dec. 31, 1954 ..			106
Added 1955 . . . . .			84
Total recordings Dec. 31, 1955			190

### Registration of Borrowers

	Adult	Juvenile	Total
Registered in 1955 . . . . .	1718	980	2698
Borrowers moved or			
transferred . . . . .	72	145	217
Total registrations			
since April 1954 . . . . .	5411	3331	8742



In April 1954 the library started a re-registration of all library borrowers to bring our records up to date. These figures represent total borrowers who have registered since that time.

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## Town Accountant

### EXPENDITURES AND RECEIPTS

#### 1955

#### RECEIPTS

##### GENERAL REVENUE

##### Taxes:

##### 1955

Real Estate .....	\$2,582,619.36	
Personal .....	97,173.60	
Poll .....	13,662.14	
	<hr/>	\$2,693,455.10

##### 1954

Real Estate .....	63,167.34	
Personal .....	3,870.57	
Poll .....	50.00	
	<hr/>	67,087.91

##### Tax Title Redemptions:

Tax Titles .....	4,514.31	
Sewer .....	74.53	
Water Liens .....	99.81	
	<hr/>	4,688.65

##### From State

Income Tax .....	62,631.62	
Meal Tax .....	5,873.56	
Corporation Tax .....	128,460.08	
School Aid .....	203,054.62	
	<hr/>	400,019.88

##### Licenses and Permits

Victuallers .....	200.00
Pin Ball Machines .....	508.34
Music Boxes .....	120.00
Auto Dealers .....	100.00
Auctioneers .....	10.00
Sunday .....	231.00
Hawkers and Pedlers .....	75.00
Rent Town Hall .....	150.00

Junk Dealers .....	200.00	
Liquor .....	8,149.00	
Bowling and Pool .....	39.00	
Pistol Permits .....	120.50	
Adv. Liquor Licenses .....	210.00	
Pay Lien Taxes, Sales Land .....	117.82	
Miscellaneous .....	12.71	
	<hr/>	10,243.37
Court Fines .....		300.00
Grants and Gifts		
Dog Licenses .....		1,844.63
State:		
School Construction Asst. ....	126,649.74	
Hurricane Carol Light Dept. ....	21,357.84	
Hurricane Carol Town .....	45,509.36	
Indigent Persons .....	103.00	
T. A. and Trans. ....	2,761.99	
Vocational Education .....	2,506.94	
	<hr/>	198,888.87
Federal Grants		
Flood Relief Control .....	2,000.00	
Schools Public Law 874 .....	28,050.89	
O. A. A. ....	91,266.25	
O. A. A. Admr. ....	9,128.79	
A. D. C. ....	21,281.96	
A. D. C. Admr. ....	2,426.20	
D. A. ....	7,438.02	
D. A. Admr. ....	900.18	
	<hr/>	162,492.29
Chapter 90		
State .....	27,383.42	
County .....	13,691.72	
	<hr/>	41,075.14
From Trust Funds:		
Hollis Fund—Park Dept. ....	500.00	
Charles Thayer—Library .....	500.00	
Charles Thayer—Dyer Hill Cemetery ..	100.00	
Colbert Library Trust—		
School Colbert Library .....	9,000.00	
	<hr/>	10,100.00
Special Assessments		
Sewer		
Apportioned 1955 .....	24,043.73	
Apportioned 1954 .....	1,172.28	
Unapportioned .....	37,546.66	
Betterments Paid in Advance .....	12,199.29	
	<hr/>	74,961.96
Sewer Connections		
Apportioned 1955 .....	12,994.01	
Apportioned 1954 .....	298.30	



Unapportioned .....	17,849.93	
Betterments Paid in Advance .....	5,618.00	
		<u>36,760.24</u>
<b>Street</b>		
Apportioned 1955 .....	1,520.15	
Apportioned 1954 .....	110.07	
Betterments Paid in Advance .....	931.90	
Unapportioned .....	661.00	
		<u>3,223.12</u>
<b>Sidewalks</b>		
Apportioned 1955 .....	263.72	
Apportioned 1954 .....	16.12	
Unapportioned .....	470.01	
Betterments Paid in Advance .....	128.00	
		<u>877.85</u>
<b>Water Liens</b>		
1955 .....	5,670.23	
1954 .....	540.41	
		<u>6,210.64</u>
<b>Motor Vehicle Excise</b>		
1955 .....	254,700.48	
1954 .....	49,971.99	
1953 .....	50.63	
		<u>304,723.10</u>
<i>General Government</i>		
Collector .....	1,567.50	
Town Clerk—Dog Licenses .....	3,794.60	
Engineering Dept. ....	70.75	
		<u>5,432.85</u>
<i>Protection of Persons and Property</i>		
<b>Police Department</b>		
Ambulance Receipts .....	1,278.75	
Fire False Alarms .....	100.00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures .....	369.85	
Inspector of Buildings .....	6,658.50	
Inspector of Wires .....	2,407.75	
Moth Receipts .....	107.20	
		<u>10,922.05</u>
<i>Health and Sanitation</i>		
<b>Health</b>		
Accounts Receivable .....	3,156.06	
License and Permits .....	3,525.00	
Dental Clinic .....	633.25	
Miscellaneous .....	634.50	
		<u>7,948.81</u>

Sewer	345.71
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*Highway*

Snow Removal .....	92.00	
Miscellaneous .....	214.54	
	<hr/>	306.54

*Charities and Veterans' Services*

Welfare

Accounts Receivables .....	2,363.54	
From Individuals .....	149.00	
	<hr/>	2,512.54
O. A. A. Accounts Receivables .....		126,358.63
A. D. C. Accounts Receivables .....		15,693.66
D. A.		
Accounts Receivables .....	7,766.69	
Accounts Receivables Adm. ....	450.09	
	<hr/>	8,216.78
O. A. A. Recoveries .....		10,301.40
Infirmary .....		270.00
Veterans Services Accts. Receivables ....		19,704.08

*Schools and Libraries*

Schools

Lunch Program High School .....	51,479.66	
Lunch Program Elementary .....	79,198.32	
Athletic Fund .....	7,190.39	
Tuition .....	3,620.14	
Insurance Claim .....	743.00	
Miscellaneous .....	2,108.70	
	<hr/>	144,340.21
Libraries—Fines and Sales .....		2,225.95

*Recreation and Unclassified*

Parks Bathing Tags .....	377.90	
Golf Course Reserve .....	9,735.25	
Teachers Retirement Refund Reserve .....	16,81	
Sale of Tax Title Possessions .....	3,175.00	
Rent National Guard .....	800.00	
Bra. Housing Lien of Taxes .....	3,240.00	
Bra. Housing Surplus .....	1,183.42	
Parking Meter Reserve .....	7,741.19	
Withholding Tax Reserve .....	269,688.86	
Saving Bond Reserve .....	7,804.76	
Union Dues Reserve .....	513.00	
Miscellaneous Receipts .....	223.88	
	<hr/>	304,500.07

*Enterprises and Cemeteries*

Water Department .....		253,553.18
Electric Light Department .....		1,151,783.92
Electric Light Depreciation		
Fund .....	169,033.80	
Interest .....	485.00	
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## Cemeteries

Sales of Lots .....	250.00	
Burials .....	230.00	
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		480.00

## Interest and Maturing Debt

### Interest

Taxes .....	1,951.81	
Excise .....	138.21	
Tax Titles .....	401.11	
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		2,491.13

### Special Assessments

Committed 1955 .....	9,819.72	
Committed 1954 .....	385.35	
Not Committed .....	267.60	
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		10,472.67
From Water Dept. for Payment .....		2,226.00
From Light Dept. for Payment .....		21,437.50
Accrued Interest .....		1,408.75

### Maturing Debt

From Water Dept. for Payment .....	18,000.00	
From Light Dept. for Payment .....	70,000.00	
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		88,000.00

### Temporary Loans

Anticipation of Revenue .....		1,200,000.90
Loans		
Junior High School .....		1,150,000.00
Premiums .....		2,043.55

## Trust Fund Income

Nathaniel H. Hunt .....	819.50	
Charles E. French .....	51.20	
Library Foundation .....	203.76	
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		1,074.46

## Refunds and Transfers

### Refunds

Land Damages ..	350.00
Fire Alarm Expense ..	.74
Bd. of Health Premature Infant Care ..	196.00
Sewer Maintenance ..	3.00
Sewer House Connections ..	121.85
Highway Materials and Supplies ..	45.15
T. A., O. A. A., A. D. C., D. A. ..	23.00
O. A. A. Federal Grants ..	1,374.45
A. D. C. Federal Grants ..	257.05
D. A. Federal Grants ..	63.60
1954 Veterans Services ..	51.40
1955 Veterans Services ..	880.07
School Instruction ..	145.62
School Operation of Plant ..	172.16
School Maint. of Plant ..	8.00
Parks Materials, Supp. Repairs ..	20.10

Golf Course Maintenance .....	13.73	
Water Dept. Maintenance .....	2.32	
	<hr/>	\$ 3,728.24

#### Transfers

Accountant and Extra Clerical .....	160.00	
Collector Extra Clerical .....	300.00	
Town Clerk Salary .....	140.76	
Town Clerk Expense .....	48.50	
Registration Clerical .....	380.00	
Engineering Aide Salary .....	1.60	
Junior Engineering Aide Salary .....	1.60	
Town Hall Maintenance .....	500.00	
Police, 31 Patrolmen .....	166.60	
Police Extra Men, Vac. Sick .....	213.12	
Police Expense .....	394.34	
Health Contagious Diseases .....	804.57	
Health Premature Infant Care .....	169.47	
Sewer Dept. House Connections .....	3,000.00	
Chain Link Fence Dump .....	1,320.00	
Veterans Services .....	3,000.00	
School Instruction .....	4,000.00	
School Operation of Plant .....	3,051.51	
Swimming Expense .....	595.00	
Golf Course Purchase .....	1,107.00	
Non-Contributory Retirement .....	1,521.00	
Insurance Employees Comp. ....	1,120.31	
Premiums .....	853.45	
	<hr/>	\$ 22,848.83

#### Cash Balance December 31, 1954

General .....	822,830.98	
Water Department .....	35,644.78	
Electric Light Department .....	75,838.30	
Electric Light Depreciation .....	256,574.76	
	<hr/>	\$1,190,888.82
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		\$9,947,987.88

### EXPENDITURES

#### General Government

##### Legislative

Moderator .....		\$ 25.00
Finance Committee		
Secretary Salary .....		500.00
Expenses		
Clerical .....	210.96	
Assoc. Meeting and Dues .....	78.68	
Advertising .....	20.00	
Printing .....	479.50	
Supplies, Postage, Phone .....	47.34	
	<hr/>	836.48

##### Selectmen

Selectmen Salaries .....	2,100.00
Secretary .....	3,447.60



Expenses		
Offices Expenses .....	324.15	
Assoc. Dues and Meetings .....	81.00	
Telephone .....	265.10	
Extra Clerical .....	75.00	
All Other .....	86.70	
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		831.95
Accounting		
Salary Accountant .....		4,470.00
Secretary .....		2,843.25
New Typewriter .....		105.00
Office Expense .....	181.68	
Telephone .....	131.29	
All Other .....	37.03	
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		350.00
Treasurer		
Salary Treasurer .....		4,500.00
Clerks .....		5,029.70
Extra Clerical .....		191.00
Parking Meter Off. Expense .....		11.50
Expenses		
Tax Titles .....	120.75	
Office Expense .....	492.26	
Printing and Advertising .....	489.50	
Association Expenses and Dues .....	15.78	
Telephone .....	173.25	
Surety Bond .....	335.00	
Petty Cash .....	100.00	
Certification Fee .....	24.00	
Safe Repair .....	20.10	
All Other .....	41.91	
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		1,812.55
Tax Collector		
Salary Collector .....		3,900.00
Clerk .....		2,485.60
Extra Clerical .....		1,022.50
New Equipment .....		500.00
Expenses		
Office Expense .....	1,577.79	
Printing and Advertising .....	745.11	
Telephone .....	218.13	
Surety Bond .....	507.00	
Taking and Recordings .....	165.82	
Mileage .....	18850	
Extra Clerical .....	46.00	
All Other .....	47.60	
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		3,495.95
Assessors		
Assessors Salaries .....		3,600.00
Principal Clerk .....		2,700.80
Clerks .....		4,276.60
Field Engineer .....		750.00
Deputies .....		150.00

Extra Clerical .....		300.00
Expenses		
office Expense .....	1,118.24	
Printing and Advertising .....	52.00	
School of Instruction .....	284.30	
Telephone .....	228.48	
Abstract of Deeds .....	623.94	
Machine Maintenance .....	128.00	
Binding .....	209.38	
Mileage .....	750.00	
Extra Clerical .....	168.00	
All Other .....	37.10	
		<hr/> 3,599.44
Law		
Salary Counsel .....		3,500.00
Out of State Travel .....		197.72
Witness Fees .....		600.50
Expenses		
Clerical .....	778.84	
Office Expense .....	170.34	
Meeting Expense .....	51.44	
Land Court, Registry .....	157.35	
Laws .....	185.00	
		<hr/> 1,342.97
Settlement of Claims .....		439.21
Land Damages		
School Land—Digaetano .....	21,950.00	
Other Land Damages .....	6,729.75	
		<hr/> 28,679.75
Land Damages County Layout .....		30,692.88
Town Clerk		
Salary .....		3,800.52
Clerk .....		2,745.60
Extra Clerical .....		200.00
Expenses		
Office Expense .....	301.79	
Printing and Advertising .....	505.55	
Telephone .....	127.91	
Surety Bond .....	15.00	
All Other .....	73.24	
		<hr/> 1,023.49
Registration		
Registrars .....		300.00
Listing .....		1,400.00
Clerical .....		2,045.30
Expenses		
Office Expense .....	106.11	
Printing and Advertising .....	1,392.10	
Janitor .....	12.00	
All Other .....	89.70	
		<hr/> 1,599.91
Election		
Election Officials and Janitors .....		1,624.50



Expenses		
Printing and Advertising .....	416.50	
Meals .....	162.00	
Rent .....	25.00	
Lights .....	37.82	
	<hr/>	641.32
Engineering		
Salary Engineer .....		3,920.54
Engineering Aide .....		2,658.60
Junior Engineering Aide .....		3,225.60
Clerk .....		2,745.60
Rod Man .....		724.40
Station Wagon .....		1,900.00
Expenses		
Supplies .....	570.94	
Maps and Plans .....	113.14	
Automobile Expense .....	65.60	
Telephone .....	166.58	
	<hr/>	916.26
Town Hall Maintenance		
Supervising Custodian .....		3,016.00
Janitor Handyman .....		2,743.00
Awnings .....		260.00
Interior Painting .....		1,980.00
New Floor Town Clerk Office .....		275.54
Minor Repairs .....		474.83
Repairs to Roof .....		16.80
Maintenance		
Gas .....	33.85	
Fuel .....	1,566.06	
Light .....	870.89	
Janitor Supplies .....	438.57	
Repairs .....	422.46	
Water .....	47.18	
Awning Service .....	54.00	
Public Hall License .....	25.00	
Flower Beds .....	22.20	
All Others .....	19.79	
	<hr/>	3,500.00

*Protection of Persons and Property*

Police Department

Salaries and Wages

Chief's Salary .....	6,000.00
Deputy Chief .....	5,350.00
Lieutenants .....	14,040.00
Sergeants .....	20,859.70
New Sergeant .....	399.70
Patrolmen .....	115,722.67
New Patrolman .....	1,539.20
Janitor .....	2,807.20
Clerk .....	2,745.60
School Duty .....	8,598.00
Vacation and Sickness .....	10,639.94

Election Duty .....	147.00	
Sunset Lake Duty .....	1,424.08	
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		190,273.09
Uniforms .....		3,158.30
Radio Maintenance .....		311.75
Out of State Travel .....		137.23
New Pistols .....		216.26
Police Garage .....		7,832.77
4 New Cars .....		6,300.00
Dog Officer		
Salary .....	300.00	
Expenses .....	123.79	
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		424.79
Expenses		
Automobile Repairs .....	1,275.61	
Automobile Expense .....	3,989.03	
Matron Service .....	155.50	
Equipment for Men .....	120.53	
Photography Supplies .....	143.38	
Office Expenses .....	217.59	
Telephone and Teletype .....	2,018.65	
Laundry .....	64.50	
Medical .....	332.47	
Meals .....	37.50	
Re-imbursement for Medical .....	372.82	
Shells .....	249.40	
Repairs to Traffic Signal .....	93.79	
Batteries .....	167.04	
Meeting Exp. and Dues .....	60.10	
All Other .....	303.93	
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		9,601.84

#### Fire Department

Salaries and Wages		
Chief's Salary .....	6,000.00	
Assistant Chief .....	5,350.00	
Deputy Chiefs .....	10,400.00	
Captains .....	9,880.08	
Lieutenants .....	22,620.80	
Privates .....	109,696.43	
Mechanic—Private .....	4,241.64	
Fire Alarm—Private .....	3,952.00	
Extra Pay of Men .....	7,722.43	
Call Men .....	1,200.00	
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		181,063.38
In and Out State Travel .....		100.00
Uniforms .....		2,197.68
East Bra. Station Sewer Conn. ....		150.00
Painting Highland Station .....		250.00
New Equipment		
Cannisters and Oxygen .....	200.00	
Hydra Hose Clamp .....	45.00	
Resuscitator .....	570.00	
Chief's Car .....	1,200.00	
¼ Turn Gates .....	118.00	
¾ Booster Hose .....	375.00	
2½ Hose .....	875.00	



1½ Hose .....	550.00	
1 Hux Bar .....	35.00	
Booster Nozzle .....	130.00	
Tap and Die Sets .....	140.00	
Hose Expander .....	158.00	
	<hr/>	4,396.00
Expenses		
Equipment .....	885.10	
Automobile Expenses .....	1,150.82	
Repairs .....	485.98	
Gas and Oil .....	1,240.10	
Equipment for Men .....	237.59	
Fuel .....	616.69	
Light .....	442.20	
Water .....	62.96	
Furniture and Furnishings .....	303.89	
Office Expense .....	287.07	
Telephone .....	951.96	
Medical .....	423.11	
Janitor Supplies .....	211.38	
All Other .....	314.58	
	<hr/>	7,613.43
Fire Alarm		
Repairman .....	4,336.80	
Vacation .....	118.40	
All Other .....	1,883.85	
Radio Maintenance .....	289.47	
Installation of Boxes .....	732.71	
Cross Arms .....	750.00	
Boxes .....	870.00	
Wire .....	498.76	
Uniform .....	50.00	
Alternators .....	363.61	
Transformers .....	64.16	
Batteries .....	86.00	
Registers and Take-Up Reel .....	295.00	
Radio Ladder Truck .....	550.00	
	<hr/>	10,878.76
Central Fire and Police Station		
Fuel .....		2,000.00
Maintenance		
Gas .....	41.13	
Light .....	702.95	
Janitor Supplies .....	615.94	
Repairs .....	546.12	
Water .....	60.12	
All Other .....	30.18	
	<hr/>	1,996.44
Sealer of Weights and Measures		
Salary .....	1,000.00	
Expense .....	389.27	
	<hr/>	1,389.27
Building Inspector		
Salary Inspector .....	2,964.00	

Deputy Inspector .....	150.00	
Expenses .....	400.00	
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		8,514.00
Wire Inspector		
Salary Inspector .....	1,800.00	
Deputy Inspector .....	100.00	
Expenses .....	300.00	
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		2,200.00
Planning Board		
Secretary .....	275.00	
Labor .....	240.00	
Mileage and Expense .....	149.64	
Supplies .....	118.33	
Printing and Advertising .....	1,031.28	
Dues and Meeting Expenses .....	42.30	
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		1,856.55
Board of Appeals on Zoning .....		290.95
Tree Warden		
Superintendent .....	1,800.00	
Extra Compensation .....	400.00	
General Care .....	2,997.5	
Planting New Trees .....	986.56	
Tree Bank .....	500.00	
Trees as Listed .....	2,675.00	
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		9,358.91

#### *Health and Sanitation*

Board of Health		
Salary Board .....		269.44
Agent .....		2,250.00
Clerk .....		2,382.80
Extra Clerical .....		130.00
Expenses		
Office Expense .....	201.72	
Printing and Advertising .....	509.50	
Telephone .....	173.93	
Mileage .....	1,010.00	
All Other .....	24.05	
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		1,919.20
Diphtheria Clinic .....		296.85
Disposal Dead Animals .....		432.00
Premature Infant Care .....		865.47
Contagious Diseases .....		8,304.57
T. B. Prevention .....		480.00
Communicable Diseases .....		1,500.00
Health Education .....		1,500.00
Vital Statistics .....		50.00
Slaughtering Inspections .....		87.50
Plumbing Inspector .....		3,455.61
Garbage Collection .....		26,790.00
Rabies Clinic .....		10.50
Dental Clinic .....		7,381.50
Animal Inspection .....		500.00
Inspection Pub. Eating & Drink Places ..		420.00
Milk and Meat Inspection .....		349.25



Sewer Department		
Commisioners Salaries .....		291.66
Superintendent Salary .....		6,200.00
Clerk .....		2,198.80
Maintenance		
Office Expenses and Supplies .....	240.52	
Labor .....	15,457.69	
Trucks, Auto Compressor .....	1,412.33	
Materials and Tools .....	1,176.28	
Repairs, New Equip. & Replacements ..	3,647.14	
Tel., Light, Water, Power .....	3,335.24	
All Other .....	411.25	
		<hr/> 25,680.45
House Connections		
Labor .....	26,714.77	
Compressor, Trucks, Pumps .....	2,009.34	
Materials & Tools .....	13,271.74	
All Other .....	1,171.96	
		<hr/> 43,167.81
1955 New Construction		
Labor .....	6,125.00	
Materials .....	60.37	
Contracts .....	76,391.13	
All Other .....	7,548.23	
		<hr/> 90,124.73
1954 New Construction		
Labor .....	6,240.11	
Materials .....	104.17	
Contracts .....	4,248.08	
All Other .....	1,769.02	
		<hr/> 12,361.38
New Equipment Common St. ....		335.15
Norfolk County Hospital .....		14,000.00

### *Highways*

Salary Superintendent .....		6,550.00
Other Salaries		
Patching .....	9,311.28	
Street Cleaning .....	9,196.35	
Drains .....	15,158.24	
Repairs Equipment .....	7,992.23	
Rubbish .....	15,135.94	
Snow Removal .....	7,757.61	
Dump Maintenance .....	5,347.52	
Moth .....	407.88	
Street & Traffic Signs .....	1,265.50	
Fence & Rails .....	300.93	
Cut Brush .....	5,730.63	
Repair Sidewalks .....	2,744.90	
Tar and Sanding .....	2,952.30	
Election Booths .....	56.22	
Dutch Elm .....	221.34	
Streets Resurfaced .....	157.32	
All Other .....	21,595.82	
1953 New Construction Common St. ....	100.86	

1954 New Construction:

Granite Street .....	217.60
Common Street .....	23,656.44
Brookside Road .....	266.32
Sullivan Fence .....	31.83
Grove Street .....	29.72
East Bra. Square Sidewalks .....	892.96
So. Bra. Square Sidewalks .....	365.15

1955 New Construction

Hurricane .....	548.98
Watson Street .....	1,202.53
West Street .....	227.47
Shaw St., Mill Rd. ....	14.47
Shaw St., Allen St. ....	13.29
Edgemont Rd. ....	27.25
Holbrook Ave. ....	6.24
Mt. Vernon Ave. ....	6.24
Front Street .....	8.08
Academy St. ....	8.58
Union St. ....	3,417.75
Liberty St. ....	91.53

136,465.30

Materials & Supplies

Gas & Oil .....	11,682.56
Patching .....	4,464.59
Drains .....	1,952.08
Repairs Equipment .....	9,125.53
Snow Removal .....	3,333.22
Supplies .....	5,365.95
Repair Sidewalks .....	598.87
Tar & Sanding .....	10,072.12
Street & Traffic Signs .....	964.16
Fence & Rails .....	72.24
Dump .....	153.00
Cut Brush .....	10.00
All Other .....	2,225.88

50,020.20

New Equipment

Roller .....	5,700.00
Truck .....	8,277.00
Shovel .....	18,000.00

31,977.00

Miscellaneous, Spec. Appro.

Jefferson St. Bridge 1953 .....	21,038.98
Street Resurfaced—Materials .....	174.40
1954 Hunt Ave.	
Labor .....	383.77
Materials .....	380.23
	764.00
1954 Home Park Rd.	
Labor .....	613.17
Materials .....	215.52
	828.69
1954 Azel Rd. Materials .....	67.64
1954 Marshfield Rd. Materials .....	185.95



1954 Walnut St. Materials .....	10.00	
1955 Sagamore St.		
Labor .....	588.66	
Materials .....	445.53	
	<hr/>	1,034.19
1955 Thayer Rd. .		
Labor .....	2,318.28	
Materials .....	1,925.85	
	<hr/>	4,244.13
1955 Academy St.		
Labor .....	1,405.62	
Materials .....	1,004.28	
	<hr/>	2,409.90
Fence for Dump .....	1,320.00	
	<hr/>	32,077.88
Chapter 90 Construction .....		62,448.97
Dutch Elm Disease .....		6,261.84
Gypsy Moth Control		
Salary Superintendent .....	500.00	
Insecticides .....	616.02	
Tools .....	39.72	
	<hr/>	1,155.74
1953 New Construction		
Franklin Street .....	473.94	
Commercial Street .....	1,538.19	
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1954 New Construction		
Common Street .....	9,121.60	
Brookside Rd. ....	1,019.90	
Sullivan Fence .....	1,196.82	
East Bra. Sq. Sidewalks .....	145.56	
So. Bra. Sq. Sidewalks .....	105.00	
Grove St. ....	890.48	
Granite St. ....	3,119.79	
Wayne Ave. ....	133.38	
Commercial St. ....	48.50	
	<hr/>	15,781.03
1955 New Construction		
Hurricane .....	199.83	
Watson St. ....	610.21	
West St. ....	6,738.99	
Mt. Vernon Ave. ....	844.75	
Edgemont Rd. ....	890.60	
Front St. ....	664.32	
Shaw St. - Mill Rd. ....	542.61	
Shaw St. - Allen St. ....	376.70	
Holbrook Ave. ....	236.25	
Academy St. ....	277.00	
Union St. ....	2,307.91	
Liberty St. ....	20.00	
	<hr/>	13,709.17

*Charities and Veterans' Services*

Welfare	
Board .....	600.00
Agent .....	4,200.00

Social Worker (1) .....	1,833.80	
Social Worker (2) .....	1,400.00	
Social Worker (3) .....	1,600.00	
Clerk (1) .....	1,400.00	
Clerk (2) .....	2,000.00	
Clerk (3) .....	1,979.30	
	<hr/>	15,013.10
Expenses		
Office .....	451.64	
Automobile .....	548.34	
	<hr/>	999.98
1954 Appro. T.A. O.A.A. A.D.C. D.A. ....		3,778.88
O.A.A. Recoveries .....		137.39
T.A. A.D.C. D.A.A. D.A.		
Groceries and Provisions .....	932.61	
Fuel .....	237.96	
Rent .....	1,366.60	
Medical .....	4,940.90	
State Institutions .....	4,578.77	
Light .....	8.88	
Other Cities and Towns T.A. ....	4,605.42	
Other Cities and Towns O.A.A. ....	2,809.69	
Cash Grants T.A. ....	1,276.85	
Cash Grants O.A.A. ....	150,453.11	
Cash Grants A.D.C. ....	28,826.56	
Cash Grants D.A. ....	12,092.12	
	<hr/>	212,129.47
Federal Grants		
Cash Grants O.A.A. ....	104,371.17	
Cash Grants A.D.C. ....	23,627.22	
Cash Grants D.A. ....	9,586.17	
	<hr/>	137,584.56
Federal Grants Administration		
O.A.A.		
Agent .....	1,500.00	
Social Worker (1) .....	1,346.20	
Social Worker (2) .....	1,575.83	
Social Worker (3) .....	1,340.00	
Extra Clerical .....	50.00	
Expenses .....	2,364.49	
	<hr/>	8,176.52
A.D.C.		
Clerk (1) .....	1,480.00	
Clerk (2) .....	520.00	
Clerk (3) .....	540.70	
Expenses .....	183.04	
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D.A.		
Extra Clerical .....	175.36	
Expenses .....	82.75	
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Infirmary		
Superintendent .....		2,713.40
Matron .....		706.44
Repairs and Maintenance .....		93.00
Expenses		
Groceries and Provisions .....	3,026.32	
Shoes, Clothing, Dry Goods .....	304.60	
Household Supplies .....	207.88	
Water, Fuel, Light .....	822.93	
Medical .....	115.76	
Telephone .....	114.13	
Repairs .....	188.55	
All Other .....	124.90	
	<hr/>	4,905.07
Veterans' Services		
Agent .....		3,120.00
Clerk .....		2,615.00
Expenses		
Office .....	546.24	
Automobile .....	400.00	
	<hr/>	946.24
1954 Appro. Benefits .....		417.60
Benefits		
Cash Grants .....	42,440.21	
Fuel .....	385.42	
Medical .....	10,622.55	
Provisions .....	4,336.68	
Clothing .....	237.57	
Veterans Burials .....	150.00	
Other Cities and Towns .....	205.00	
All Other .....	105.97	
	<hr/>	58,483.40

*Schools and Libraries*

Schools		
Salary Superintendent .....		9,750.00
In and Out State Travel .....		495.56
Instruction		
Salaries .....	983,495.14	
Expenses .....	25,328.51	
Text Books .....	20,762.89	
Supplies .....	36,040.07	
Other Expenses .....	3,127.25	
	<hr/>	1,068,663.86
Operation of Plant		
Janitor Services .....	94,491.98	
Fuel .....	33,176.54	
Misc. Expense .....	12,941.95	
Water .....	2,271.92	
Light and Power .....	16,705.15	
Telephone .....	4,076.13	
	<hr/>	163,663.67
Maintenance of Plant		
Salaries and Expenses .....	25,467.29	
Materials and Supplies .....	9,853.06	

Repairs—Specific .....	32,828.84	
Replacement of Equip. ....	2,598.81	
	<hr/>	70,748.00
Auxiliary Agencies		
Libraries .....	2,025.13	
Promotion of Health .....	13,828.14	
Transportation .....	43,171.88	
Tuition .....	4,858.45	
Recreation .....	10,525.38	
Miscellaneous .....	2,668.53	
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General Control		
School Committee .....	213.64	
General Salaries .....	12,598.26	
General Expenses .....	3,368.83	
	<hr/>	16,180.73
Outlay		
Alterations and Improvement .....		3,720.99
Lunch Program High School .....		52,305.28
Lunch Program Elementary .....		78,207.53
Athletic Program Town Appro. ....		4,499.67
Athletic Program Revolving Fund .....		6,190.95
Sundry School Accounts		
Hollis School Plans and Specs. ....	732.23	
School Study Committee .....	75.00	
Plans, Specs. Junior High .....	48,400.00	
Perkins Area Elementary .....	59,050.82	
Hollis School Addition .....	110,803.61	
U. S. Grant Public Law 874 .....	18,404.38	
So. Junior High School .....	315,600.37	
Evening School .....	5,993.82	
Colbert Library Trust .....	6,254.77	
Watson School Sprinkler .....	2,995.32	
Specs. Drawings Elementary School ....	889.95	
Torrey School Grounds .....	684.95	
Flye Site School .....	971.00	
Land Plot 2, Plan 1098 McSharry .....	1,875.00	
Land Plot 1, Plan 1098 Digaetano ....	3,050.00	
Land Plot 1, Plan 1087, Moreland Tr.	325.00	
Judgement—McSharry .....	6,296.70	
Judgement—Moreland Trust .....	2,275.00	
	<hr/>	584,677.92
Libraries		
Librarians .....		34,710.52
Janitors .....		3,514.67
New Library .....		4,823.05
New Library Furnishings .....		469.89
Thermostat Highlands Branch .....		197.00
Expenses		
Periodicals .....	608.97	
Books .....	7,144.80	
Binding .....	1,115.13	
Fuel .....	1,574.18	
Lights .....	680.68	



Repairs .....	98.20	
Transporting Books .....	200.00	
Rent .....	1,200.00	
Office Expense .....	1,452.26	
Telephone .....	525.12	
Building Maintenance .....	535.89	
Water .....	53.43	
All Other .....	391.33	
	<hr/>	15,579.99

*Recreation and Unclassified*

Parks and Playgrounds

Supervisor .....		3,880.60
Clerk .....		300.00
Labor .....		3,897.50
Expenses		
Equipment Hire .....	400.75	
Mower Exp. and Repairs .....	394.97	
Truck Exp. and Repairs .....	391.12	
Tractor Expenses .....	294.00	
Lights .....	31.76	
Water .....	69.17	
Truck Insurance .....	42.07	
Barn Rent .....	480.00	
Office Expenses .....	179.30	
Fuel for Barn .....	19.95	
Adv. and Signs .....	26.88	
All Other .....	53.69	
	<hr/>	2,383.66

Materials Supplies and Repairs

Fertilizer, Lime, Seed .....	205.22	
Loam, Sand, Fill .....	475.81	
Sport Supplies .....	270.75	
Tools, Paint, Lumber, Cement, Pipe,		
Hdw. Wire .....	1,271.12	
Paving .....	1,000.00	
Fencing .....	144.50	
Repairing Equip. ....	216.27	
	<hr/>	3,583.67

New Construction

Hollis Field .....	1,177.56	
Watson Park .....	1,098.04	
Faxon St. Playground .....	2,804.62	
Hollingsworth Park .....	737.25	
	<hr/>	5,817.47

Dyer Hill Playground

Equipment Hire .....	1,121.50	
New Equipment .....	674.80	
Loam and Gravel .....	152.10	
Labor .....	201.50	
All Other .....	3.54	
	<hr/>	2,153.44

Backstop Watson Park .....		250.00
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New Equipment

Chair Swings .....	242.00	
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Merry-Go-Rounds .....	307.00	
Steel Chutes .....	1,009.00	
Jungle Gym .....	360.00	
Swing Sets .....	426.00	
See-Saws .....	235.00	
	<hr/>	2,579.00
Organized Play		
Supervisor .....		600.00
Instructors .....		6,425.00
Expenses		
Athletics .....	545.53	
Games .....	358.36	
Arts and Crafts .....	264.40	
Transportation of Children .....	223.50	
Expense and Travel of Super. ....	285.00	
Signs and Office Expense .....	68.31	
First Aid Equipment .....	51.56	
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Swimming Program		
Lifeguards .....		2,283.00
Matron .....		370.00
Caretaker .....		125.00
Expenses		
Training Lifeguards .....	150.00	
Uniforms .....	38.80	
Swimming Supplies .....	64.50	
Clerical and Office Supplies .....	110.00	
Rafts .....	133.85	
Swimming Tags .....	450.00	
All Other .....	32.90	
	<hr/>	980.05
Golf Course Purchase .....		76,107.00
Golf Course Maintenance		
Supervisor .....	2,220.00	
Labor .....	4,112.84	
New Equipment .....	3,292.95	
Material and Supplies .....	3,236.24	
Expenses .....	467.82	
Club House .....	840.29	
Miscellaneous Expenses .....	365.18	
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Unclassified		
Non-Contributory Pensions		
Police Chief .....	1,950.00	
Patrolman .....	2,100.00	
Patrolmen Benefit .....	1,400.00	
Sergeant .....	1,521.00	
Fire Chief .....	2,602.24	
Deputy .....	2,535.00	
Highway Foreman .....	2,394.69	
Machine Operator .....	2,440.36	
School Teacher .....	2,834.27	
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Civilian Defense		
Admr. ....	13.36	
Radiological .....	200.00	



Civilian Defense .....	2,481.61		
			<u>2,694.97</u>
Memorial Day			
D. U. V. ....	98.00		
V. F. W. ....	250.00		
Legion .....	247.50		
			<u>595.50</u>
Insurance			
Boiler .....	150.00		
Auto. Liability .....	2,807.93		
Auto. Fire and Theft .....	267.46		
Employees Compensation .....	13,120.31		
Buildings and Contents .....	8,893.29		
			<u>25,238.99</u>
General Government Incidentals			
Advertising .....	298.15		
Printing .....	83.50		
Town Meeting Expenses .....	141.00		
Duplicating Machine Supplies .....	102.85		
Medical .....	96.50		
Insurance .....	48.15		
Town Hall Maintenance .....	619.05		
All Other .....	63.63		
			<u>1,452.83</u>
Legion Building			
Janitor .....	580.00		
Fuel .....	600.65		
Repairs .....	19.35		
			<u>1,200.00</u>
Flood Damage			
Highway			
Labor .....	11,338.50		
Materials .....	7,060.14		
			<u>18,398.64</u>
Police			
Labor .....	696.81		
Supplies .....	91.33		
			<u>788.14</u>
Water			
Labor .....	1,022.70		
Supplies .....	445.35		
			<u>1,468.05</u>
Fire Labor .....	1,392.40		
Town Hall Repairs .....	340.90		
			<u>22,388.13</u>
Withholding Tax Reserve .....	268,632.96		
Savings Bonds Reserve .....	7,184.41		
Union Dues Reserve .....	561.00		
Town Reports .....	1,554.61		
Contributory Retirement System .....	27,011.41		
National Guard .....	450.00		
So. Shore Mosquito Control .....	5,600.00		
Hydrant Service .....	15,525.00		

1955 State Census .....	1,638.65	
Bra. Elec. Light Hurricane Ref. ....	21,357.84	
Teachers Retire. Ref. Reserve .....	16.81	
Unpaid Bills Prior 1955 .....	50.28	
Dredging Fore River .....	20,000.00	
Salary Survey Committee .....	1,247.00	
Rent V. F. W. Hall .....	960.00	
Street Lighting .....	14,500.00	
First Parish Cemetery .....	468.00	
Industrial Commission .....	1,079.14	
Town Forest .....	232.40	
Suspense Account .....	36.83	
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		388,106.52

### *Enterprise and Cemeteries*

#### Water Department

Commissioners Salaries .....	300.00	
Superintendent .....	7,500.00	
Clerks .....	11,255.95	
Debt and Interest .....	20,226.00	
Out of State Travel .....	100.00	
Maintenance .....	193,589.76	
Chlorination Sunset Lake .....	1,575.67	
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		234,547.38

#### Electric Light Department

Construction Account .....	2,484.13	
Depreciation Account .....	77,495.55	
New Plant Account .....	26,172.07	
Maintenance Account .....	1,152,278.58	
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		1,258,430.33

#### Cemeteries

Superintendent .....		460.00
Expenses		
Labor .....	669.00	
Gravel and Loam .....	112.00	
Printing .....	12.50	
Equipment and Supplies .....	264.08	
Repair Wall .....	291.50	
Water .....	10.00	
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		1,359.08
Dyer Hill Cemetery .....		97.00

### *Interest and Maturing Debt*

#### Interest

Anticipation of Revenue Loans .....	5,611.74	
Schools .....	74,260.75	
Water .....	2,226.00	
Sewer .....	9,068.50	
Highway Garage .....	281.25	
Light .....	21,437.50	
Library .....	3,780.00	
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		116,665.74



Accrued Interest .....		1,408.75
Maturing Debt		
Schools .....	206,500.00	
Water .....	18,000.00	
Sewer .....	55,000.00	
Higway Garage .....	7,000.00	
Light .....	70,000.00	
Library .....	10,000.00	
	<hr/>	366,500.00
Anticipation of Revenue Loans .....		1,200,000.00
Premium Account .....		2,897.00
<i>Agency, Trusts, Refunds, Transfers</i>		
Trust Funds		
Mary F. White Trust .....		10,665.00
Trust Fund Account		
N. H. Hunt .....	819.50	
C. E. French .....	51.20	
Library Foundation .....	203.76	
	<hr/>	1,074.46
Transfers		
From Reserve Funds to Sundry Accts. (See Receipts)		22,848.83
Refunds		
1955 Taxes and Assessments		
Real Estate .....	26,262.82	
Personal .....	17.97	
Poll .....	20.14	
Motor Vehicle Excise .....	9,684.80	
	<hr/>	35,985.73
1954 Taxes and Assessments		
Real Estate .....	1,076.02	
Motor Vehicle Excise .....	1,324.78	
	<hr/>	2,400.80
1953 Real Estate .....		331.41
1952 Real Estate .....		284.59
Sewer House Connecting Unapportioned		1.92
Estimate Receipts .....		3.00
State and County Assessments:		
County Tax .....	62,408.43	
Dog Licenses .....	3,772.05	
Norfolk County Hospital .....	47,714.23	
Auditing Municipal Accounts .....	3,229.77	
State Exam. Retire System .....	131.90	
Metropolitan Parks .....	31,009.37	
Metropolitan Sewer .....	42,389.94	
Smoke Inspection .....	540.94	
Boston Arena Authority .....	636.87	
	<hr/>	191,833.50
Cash, Balance December 31, 1955		
General .....	1,544,113.91	
Water Department .....	62,539.02	

Electric Light Department .....	72,840.05	
Electric Light Depreciation .....	357,158.62	
	<hr/>	2,036,651.60
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		9,947,987.88

Respectfully submitted,

R. W. MAGLATHLIN  
Town Accountant

*Unpaid Bills as of January 1, 1956*

Street Lighting:

Braintree Electric Light Department .....	4,532.96
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Veterans Services:

Eugene G. Auld, M. D. ....	16.00	
L. Burton Benjamin, M. D. ....	12.00	
Bra-Wey Pharmacy, Inc. ....	47.60	
James C. Boyle .....	50.95	
Fred O. Lewis Drug Inc. ....	6.20	
First National Stores, Inc. ....	120.00	
	<hr/>	252.75
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		4,785.71



# 1955 RECAPITULATION — LEDGER ACCOUNTS

	Balance 1/1/55	Appropria- tions	Receipts	Transfers	Refunds	Total	Expended	Closed to Revenue etc.	Balance 12/31/55	Transfers Out
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>										
Moderator	.....	25.00	.....	.....	.....	25.00	25.00	.....	.....	.....
Finance Committee—Secy.	.....	500.00	.....	.....	.....	500.00	500.00	.....	.....	.....
Expense	.....	912.00	.....	41.66	.....	953.66	878.14	75.52	.....	.....
Accountant—Salary	.....	4,470.00	.....	.....	.....	4,470.00	4,470.00	.....	.....	.....
Secy.	.....	2,674.88	.....	.....	.....	2,674.88	2,619.13	55.75	.....	.....
Expense	45.00	305.00	.....	.....	.....	350.00	350.00	.....	.....	.....
Clerical	.....	.....	.....	160.00	.....	160.00	.....	.....	160.00	.....
New Typewriter	.....	105.00	.....	.....	.....	105.00	105.00	.....	.....	.....
Salary Adjustment	.....	576.62	.....	.....	.....	576.62	.....	.....	.....	576.62
Selectmen—Salaries	.....	2,100.00	.....	.....	.....	2,100.00	2,100.00	.....	.....	.....
Secretary	.....	2,447.60	.....	.....	.....	3,447.60	3,447.60	.....	.....	.....
Expense	.....	835.00	.....	.....	.....	835.00	831.95	3.05	.....	.....
Salary Adjustment	.....	339.04	.....	.....	.....	339.04	.....	.....	.....	339.04
1955 State Census	1,800.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,800.00	1,638.65	161.35	.....	.....
First Parish Cemetery Repairs	.....	475.00	.....	.....	.....	475.00	468.00	7.00	.....	.....
Treasurer—Salary	.....	4,500.00	.....	.....	.....	4,500.00	4,500.00	.....	.....	.....
Clerks	.....	5,387.20	.....	.....	.....	5,387.20	5,029.70	357.50	.....	.....
Expense	.....	2,270.00	.....	.....	.....	2,270.00	1,812.55	457.45	.....	.....
Salary Adjustment	.....	314.60	.....	.....	.....	314.60	.....	.....	.....	314.60
Extra Clerical Expense	.....	250.00	.....	.....	.....	250.00	191.00	59.00	.....	.....
Petty Cash	.....	.....	.....	100.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	100.00	.....
Parking Meter Office Expense	168.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	168.50	11.50	.....	157.00	.....
Collector—Salary	.....	3,900.00	.....	.....	.....	3,900.00	3,900.00	.....	.....	.....
Clerk Stenographer	.....	2,485.60	.....	.....	.....	2,485.60	2,485.60	.....	.....	.....
Extra Clerical	.....	750.00	.....	300.00	.....	1,050.00	1,022.50	.....	400.00	27.50
Petty Cash	400.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Salary Adjustment	.....	193.10	.....	.....	.....	193.10	.....	.....	.....	193.10
Expense	.....	3,497.00	.....	15.81	.....	3,512.81	3,511.76	1.05	.....	.....
New Equipment (Furniture	.....	500.00	.....	.....	.....	500.00	500.00	.....	.....	.....
Assessors—Salaries	.....	3,600.00	.....	.....	.....	3,600.00	3,600.00	.....	.....	.....
Principal Clerk	.....	2,700.80	.....	.....	.....	2,700.80	2,700.80	.....	.....	.....
Clerks	.....	5,163.80	.....	.....	.....	5,163.80	5,026.60	137.20	.....	.....
Extra Clerical	.....	300.00	.....	.....	.....	300.00	300.00	.....	.....	.....
Expense	.....	3,600.00	.....	.....	.....	3,600.00	3,599.44	.56	.....	.....
Salary Adjustment	.....	359.68	.....	.....	.....	359.68	.....	5.08	.....	354.60
Witness Fees	1,050.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,050.00	.....	.....	1,050.00	.....
Field Engineer	.....	750.00	.....	.....	.....	750.00	750.00	.....	.....	.....
Deputy Assessor	.....	150.00	.....	.....	.....	150.00	150.00	.....	.....	.....

Law-Town Counsel Salary	3,500.00	.....	.....	3,500.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Clerical Expense—Office Exp.	1,350.00	.....	.....	1,350.00	.....	7.03	.....	.....	.....
Settlement of Claims	165.65	.....	.....	765.65	.....	.....	.....	326.44	.....
Land Damages	34,450.00	.....	.....	34,800.00	.....	.....	.....	6,120.25	.....
Out of State Travel	100.00	.....	.....	200.00	.....	.....	2.28	.....	.....
Witness Fees & Litigation..	200.50	.....	.....	600.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Town Clerk—Salary	3,660.00	.....	.....	3,800.76	.....	.....	.....	.....	.24
Clerk-Stenographer	2,745.60	.....	.....	2,745.60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Salary Adjustment	252.20	.....	.....	252.20	.....	.....	.....	.....	252.20
Extra Clerical	200.00	.....	.....	200.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Expense	975.00	.....	.....	1,023.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.01
Registrations—Salaries	300.00	.....	.....	300.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Listing Expense	1,400.00	.....	.....	1,400.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Expense	1,600.00	.....	.....	1,638.40	.....	.09	.....	.....	.....
Extra Clerical	1,665.30	.....	.....	2,045.30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Salary Adjustment	105.30	.....	.....	105.30	.....	.....	.....	.....	105.30
Election—Expenses	641.32	.....	.....	641.32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Officials & Janitors	1,697.00	.....	.....	1,697.00	.....	72.50	.....	.....	.....
Engineering—Engineer	3,950.00	.....	.....	3,950.00	.....	76.04	.....	.....	.....
Senior Engineering Aid	2,691.00	.....	.....	2,691.00	.....	32.40	.....	.....	.....
Engineering Aid	3,203.20	.....	.....	3,204.80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Transit Man	987.20	.....	.....	987.20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rodman	722.80	.....	.....	724.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Clerk-Stenographer	2,745.60	.....	.....	2,745.60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Expense	920.00	.....	.....	986.50	.....	3.74	.....	.....	.....
Salary Adjustment	567.05	.....	.....	567.05	.....	247.47	.....	.....	319.53
New Equip.—Station Wagon	2,000.00	.....	.....	2,000.00	.....	100.00	.....	.....	.....
Town Hall—Supervising									
Custodian	3,016.00	.....	.....	3,016.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Salary Adjustment	62.40	.....	.....	62.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	62.40
Janitor & Handyman	3,613.00	.....	.....	3,613.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Repairs to Roof	2,810.00	.....	.....	2,810.00	.....	.....	.....	2,793.20	.....
Painting Interior	1,980.00	.....	.....	1,980.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Floor—Town Clerk's									
Office	290.00	.....	.....	290.00	.....	14.46	.....	.....	.....
Minor Repairs	760.00	.....	.....	760.00	.....	.....	.....	285.17	.....
Awnings & Window Shades..	260.00	.....	.....	260.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Maintenance, Supplies &									
Repairs	3,000.00	.....	.....	3,665.54	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Planning Board	2,490.00	.....	.....	2,866.01	.....	.....	.....	1,009.46	.....
Wire Inspector	1,800.00	.....	.....	1,800.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Deputy Inspector	100.00	.....	.....	100.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wire Inspector Expense	300.00	.....	.....	300.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....



# 1955 RECAPITULATION — LEDGER ACCOUNTS

	1/1/55 Balance	Appropriations	Receipts	Transfers	Refunds	Total	Expended	Closed to Revenue etc.	Balance 12/31/55	Transfers Out
PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY										
Police Dept.—Chief's Salary..	.....	6,000.00	.....	.....	.....	6,000.00	6,000.00	.....	.....	.....
Deputy Chief .....	.....	5,350.00	.....	.....	.....	5,350.00	5,350.00	.....	.....	.....
3 Lieuts. ....	.....	14,040.12	.....	.....	.....	14,040.12	14,040.00	.12	.....	.....
1 Sergt. ....	.....	1,950.00	.....	.....	.....	1,950.00	399.70	1,550.30	.....	.....
5 Sergets. ....	.....	22,620.00	.....	.....	.....	22,620.00	20,859.70	1,760.30	.....	.....
1 Patrolman .....	.....	1,539.20	.....	.....	.....	1,539.20	1,539.20	.....	.....	.....
31 Patrolmen .....	.....	115,960.31	.....	344.20	.....	116,304.51	115,900.27	404.24	.....	.....
Ambulance Reserve .....	4,884.87	.....	1,278.75	.....	.....	6,163.62	.....	.....	6,163.62	.....
Election Duty .....	.....	152.88	.....	.....	.....	152.88	147.00	5.88	.....	.....
Out of State Travel .....	.....	150.00	.....	.....	.....	150.00	137.23	12.77	.....	.....
Salary Adjustment .....	.....	8,304.70	.....	.....	.....	8,304.70	.....	.....	.....	8,304.70
Janitor-Handyman .....	.....	2,807.20	.....	.....	.....	2,807.20	.....	.....	.....	.....
Extra Men—Vacations, Sick Leave .....	.....	11,548.40	.....	213.12	.....	11,761.52	10,639.94	908.46	.....	213.12
Clerk Salary .....	.....	2,745.84	.....	.....	.....	2,745.84	2,745.60	.24	.....	.....
Pensions—Non Contributory	.....	17,630.93	.....	1,521.00	.....	19,151.93	19,151.93	.....	.....	.....
School Duty .....	.....	9,360.00	.....	.....	.....	9,360.00	8,598.00	762.00	.....	.....
Dog Officer .....	.....	425.00	.....	.....	.....	425.00	424.79	.21	.....	.....
Sunset Lake Duty .....	.....	1,632.00	.....	.....	.....	1,632.00	1,424.08	207.92	.....	.....
Uniforms .....	.....	3,225.00	.....	.....	.....	3,225.00	3,158.30	66.70	.....	.....
4 New Cars .....	.....	6,300.00	.....	.....	.....	6,300.00	6,300.00	.....	.....	.....
Radio Maint. ....	.....	350.00	.....	.....	.....	350.00	311.75	38.25	.....	.....
4 New Pistols .....	.....	216.26	.....	.....	.....	216.26	216.26	.....	.....	.....
New Garage .....	.....	12,500.00	.....	.....	.....	12,500.00	7,832.77	.....	4,667.23	.....
Expense General .....	.....	9,207.50	.....	394.34	.....	9,601.84	9,601.84	.....	.....	.....
Fire Dept.—Chief's Salary...	.....	6,000.00	.....	.....	.....	6,000.00	6,000.00	.....	.....	.....
Asst. Chief's Salary .....	.....	5,350.00	.....	.....	.....	5,350.00	5,350.00	.....	.....	.....
2 Deputy Chief's Salary...	.....	10,400.00	.....	1,543.20	.....	11,943.20	11,943.20	.....	.....	.....
2 Captains .....	.....	9,880.08	.....	.....	.....	9,880.08	9,880.08	.....	.....	.....
5 Lieuts. ....	.....	22,620.80	.....	.....	.....	22,620.80	22,620.80	.....	.....	.....
Private Mechanic .....	.....	4,241.64	.....	.....	.....	4,241.64	4,241.64	.....	.....	.....
Private Fire Alarm .....	.....	3,952.00	.....	.....	.....	3,952.00	3,952.00	.....	.....	.....
29 Privates .....	.....	111,987.08	.....	236.80	.....	112,223.88	112,223.88	.....	.....	.....
Call Men .....	.....	1,200.00	.....	.....	.....	1,200.00	1,200.00	.....	.....	.....
Salary Adjustment .....	.....	9,893.87	.....	.....	.....	9,893.87	.....	.....	.....	9,893.87
Extra Men — Vacations, etc.	.....	7,722.80	.....	.....	.....	7,722.80	7,722.43	.37	.....	.....
1 Hose Expander .....	.....	158.00	.....	.....	.....	158.00	158.00	.....	.....	.....
1 Hux Bar .....	.....	35.00	.....	.....	.....	35.00	35.00	.....	.....	.....
2 Tap & Die Sets .....	.....	140.00	.....	.....	.....	140.00	140.00	.....	.....	.....
1 Hydro Hose Clamp .....	.....	45.00	.....	.....	.....	45.00	45.00	.....	.....	.....

2 Quarter-Turn Gates .....	118.00	118.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
2-¾", Booster Nozzles .....	130.00	130.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
500 Ft. 2½", Hose .....	875.00	875.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
500 Ft. 1½", Hose .....	550.00	550.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
500 Ft. ¾", Hose .....	375.00	375.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Car .....	1,200.00	1,200.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Resuscitator .....	570.00	570.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Painting Highlands Station .....	250.00	250.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Expense General .....	7,628.84	7,663.84	.....	35.00	.....	.....	.....	15.41	.....
Uniforms .....	2,200.00	2,200.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.32	.....
In & Out of State Travel .....	100.00	100.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sewer Connection, E. Bra. Station .....	150.00	150.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cannisters & Oxygen .....	200.00	200.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fire & Police Station—Repairs & Maint. ....	2,000.00	2,000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.56	.....
Fuel .....	4,336.80	4,336.80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fire Alarm—Repairman .....	1,884.00	1,885.80	.....	1.06	.....	.....	.....	.89	.....
Expense General .....	118.40	118.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vacation .....	374.40	374.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Salary Adjustment .....	300.00	300.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	374.40
Radio Repairs .....	50.00	50.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.53	.....
Uniforms .....	750.00	750.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Replacing Cross Arms .....	870.00	870.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
6 Alarm Boxes .....	732.71	732.71	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Installing Alarm Boxes .....	353.61	353.61	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
12 Volt Alternators .....	550.00	550.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Radio for Ladder Truck .....	65.00	65.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.84	.....
2 Transformers .....	295.00	295.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Takeup Reel .....	500.00	500.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.24	.....
5 Miles Wire .....	86.00	86.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4 New Batteries .....	3,315.00	3,315.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	351.00	.....
Building Inspector—Salary ..	400.00	400.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Expense .....	150.00	150.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Deputy .....	300.00	300.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9.05	.....
Board of Appeals—Zoning Exp.	1,000.00	1,000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Weights & Measures—Salary	390.00	389.27	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.73	.....
Sealer .....	1,800.00	1,800.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Expense .....	3,000.00	2,997.35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.65	.....
Tree Warden—Salary .....	400.00	400.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
General Care .....	2,900.00	2,675.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	225.00	.....
Extra Compensation .....	1,000.00	986.56	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13.44	.....
Tree Removal .....	500.00	500.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Planting New Trees .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tree Bank .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....



# 1955 RECAPITULATION — LEDGER ACCOUNTS

	1/1/55 Balance	Appropriations	Receipts	Transfers	Refunds	Total	Expended	Closed to Revenue etc.	Balance 12/31/55	Transfers Out
<b>HEALTH AND SANITATION</b>										
Board of Health—Salaries ..	.....	300.00	.....	.....	.....	300.00	269.44	30.56	.....	.....
Extra Clerical Expense ..	.....	130.00	.....	.....	.....	130.00	130.00	.....	.....	.....
Salary Adjustment .....	.....	533.00	.....	.....	.....	533.00	.....	.....	.....	533.00
Agent .....	.....	3,250.00	.....	.....	.....	3,250.00	3,250.00	.....	.....	.....
Clerk .....	.....	2,485.60	.....	.....	.....	2,485.60	2,382.80	102.80	.....	.....
Expense .....	375.58	1,625.00	.....	.....	.....	2,000.58	1,919.20	81.38	.....	.....
Diseases Com. ....	.....	1,500.00	.....	.....	.....	1,500.00	1,500.00	.....	.....	.....
Contagious Diseases .....	.....	7,500.00	.....	804.57	.....	8,304.57	8,304.57	.....	.....	.....
Gargage Collection .....	.....	26,790.00	.....	.....	.....	26,790.00	26,790.00	.....	.....	.....
Testing Milk & Water .....	.....	350.00	.....	.....	.....	350.00	349.25	.75	.....	.....
Slaughtering Inspector .....	.....	87.50	.....	.....	.....	87.50	87.50	.....	.....	.....
Plumbing Inspector .....	.....	3,600.00	.....	.....	.....	3,600.00	3,455.61	144.39	.....	.....
Inspector of Animals & Meats .....	.....	500.00	.....	.....	.....	500.00	500.00	.....	.....	.....
Dental Clinic .....	.....	7,346.00	.....	.....	.....	7,346.00	7,173.50	172.50	.....	.....
Diphtheria Clinic .....	.....	300.00	.....	.....	.....	300.00	296.86	3.14	.....	.....
T. B. Prevention .....	.....	480.00	.....	.....	.....	480.00	480.00	.....	.....	.....
Vital Statistics .....	.....	100.00	.....	.....	.....	100.00	50.00	50.00	.....	.....
Rabies Clinic .....	.....	50.00	.....	.....	.....	50.00	10.50	39.50	.....	.....
Inspector Public Eating Places .....	.....	425.00	.....	.....	.....	425.00	420.00	5.00	.....	.....
Premature Infant Care .....	.....	500.00	.....	169.47	196.00	865.47	865.47	.....	.....	.....
Dead Animal Disposal .....	.....	450.00	.....	.....	.....	450.00	432.00	18.00	.....	.....
Health Education .....	.....	1,500.00	.....	.....	.....	1,500.00	1,500.00	.....	.....	.....
Sewer Dept., Supt., Salary ..	.....	6,200.00	.....	.....	.....	6,200.00	6,200.00	.....	.....	.....
Clerk Stenographer .....	.....	2,420.60	.....	.....	.....	2,420.60	2,198.80	221.80	.....	.....
Maintenance .....	.....	26,150.00	.....	197.60	3.00	26,350.60	25,878.05	472.55	.....	.....
House Connections .....	.....	40,572.62	.....	3,000.00	121.85	43,694.47	43,167.81	.....	.....	526.66
New Equipment Common St. ..	544.33	.....	.....	.....	.....	544.33	335.15	.....	209.18	.....
Salaries Board .....	.....	300.00	.....	.....	.....	300.00	291.66	8.34	.....	.....
Pumping Site Purchase .....	475.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	475.00	.....	.....	475.00	.....
1955 New Construction .....	.....	165,000.00	.....	.....	.....	165,000.00	90,124.73	.....	74,875.27	.....
1954 New Construction .....	12,361.38	.....	.....	.....	.....	12,361.38	12,361.38	.....	.....	.....
Salary Adjustment .....	.....	1,522.62	.....	.....	.....	1,522.62	.....	.....	.....	1,522.62
Pumping Station Survey .....	.....	5,000.00	.....	.....	.....	5,000.00	.....	.....	5,000.00	.....
New Norfolk County Hospital ..	.....	14,000.00	.....	.....	.....	14,000.00	14,000.00	.....	.....	.....
<b>HIGHWAY</b>										
Salary — Supt. ....	.....	6,550.00	.....	.....	.....	6,550.00	6,550.00	.....	.....	.....
Dredging Wey. Fore River .....	.....	20,000.00	.....	.....	.....	20,000.00	20,000.00	.....	.....	.....
Widening Bridge Jefferson St. ..	16,720.48	4,950.00	.....	.....	.....	21,670.48	21,038.98	631.50	.....	.....
Dutch Elm Disease .....	6,250.02	6,000.00	.....	.....	.....	12,250.02	6,261.84	.....	5,988.18	.....
Salary Adjustment .....	.....	6,082.92	.....	.....	.....	6,082.92	.....	.....	.....	6,082.92

Gipsy Moth Control .....	1,525.00	.....	.....	1,525.00	1,155.74	369.26	.....
1955 Chapt. 90 Constr. ....	76,100.00	.....	.....	76,100.00	62,448.97	.....	13,651.03
Chain Link Fence Dump .....	.....	.....	1,320.00	1,320.00	1,320.00	.....	.....
Other Salaries, etc. ....	150,187.20	.....	1,242.75	151,429.95	137,708.05	13,721.90	.....
Material-Supplies-Repairs ..	50,000.00	.....	.....	50,045.15	50,020.20	24.95	.....
¾ Yd. Shovel .....	19,972.00	.....	.....	19,972.00	18,000.00	1,972.00	.....
8-14 Ton Roller .....	8,559.00	.....	.....	8,559.00	5,700.00	2,859.00	.....
5 Ton Dump Truck .....	9,315.00	.....	.....	9,315.00	8,277.00	1,038.00	.....
1955 New Construction .....	34,564.33	.....	.....	34,564.33	13,709.17	.....	20,855.16
1954 New Construction .....	.....	.....	10.94	17,337.86	15,791.97	.....	1,545.89
1953 New Construction .....	17,326.92	.....	.....	2,264.48	2,012.13	252.35	.....
1952 New Construction .....	2,637.44	.....	.....	2,637.44	.....	.....	2,637.44
1951 New Construction .....	2,161.19	.....	.....	2,161.19	.....	.....	2,161.19
1948 New Construction .....	1,810.82	.....	.....	1,810.82	.....	1,810.82	.....
1954 Azel Road .....	67.64	.....	.....	67.64	.....	.....	.....
1954 Marshfield Road .....	185.97	.....	.....	185.97	185.95	.02	.....
1954 Home Park Road .....	1,125.92	.....	.....	1,125.92	828.67	297.23	.....
1954 Walnut St. Extension..	3,506.75	.....	.....	3,506.75	10.00	.....	3,496.75
Street Resurfaced .....	2,952.00	.....	.....	2,952.00	174.40	.....	2,777.60
1954 Hunt Ave. Sidewalk ..	764.00	.....	.....	764.00	764.00	.....	.....
1955 Mass. Ave. ....	11,386.75	.....	.....	11,386.75	.....	.....	11,386.75
1955 Thayer Rd. ....	4,442.75	.....	.....	4,442.75	4,244.13	.....	198.62
1955 Sagamore St. ....	1,034.25	.....	.....	1,034.25	1,034.19	.06	.....
Sidewalk-Curbing Academy	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. 1955 .....	2,983.60	.....	.....	2,983.60	2,409.90	.....	573.70
1955 Brookside Rd.-Sidewalk	7,237.00	.....	.....	7,237.00	.....	.....	7,237.00
& Curbing .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

CHARITIES & VETERANS SERVICES

T.A. A.D.C. O.A.A. Salaries	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Board .....	600.00	.....	.....	600.00	600.00	.....	.....
Salary Agent .....	4,200.00	.....	.....	4,200.00	4,200.00	.....	.....
Social Worker .....	1,833.80	.....	.....	1,833.80	1,833.80	.....	.....
Social Worker .....	1,600.00	.....	.....	1,600.00	1,600.00	.....	.....
Clerk .....	1,400.00	.....	.....	1,400.00	1,400.00	.....	.....
Social Worker .....	1,400.00	.....	.....	1,400.00	1,400.00	.....	.....
Clerk .....	2,000.00	.....	.....	2,000.00	2,000.00	.....	.....
Clerk .....	1,979.30	.....	.....	1,979.30	1,979.30	.....	.....
Expense .....	1,000.00	.....	.....	1,000.00	999.98	.02	.....
Welfare—1955 .....	215,000.00	.....	.....	215,136.75	212,243.22	.....	2,893.53
Welfare—1954 .....	.....	.....	.....	3,820.47	3,778.88	41.59	.....
Infirmary—Salary Supt. ....	2,713.40	.....	.....	2,713.40	2,713.40	.....	.....
Matron .....	706.44	.....	.....	706.44	706.44	.....	.....
Expense .....	5,100.00	.....	.....	5,100.00	4,905.07	194.93	.....
Repairs & Maint. ....	100.00	.....	.....	100.00	93.00	7.00	.....



# 1955 RECAPITULATION — LEDGER ACCOUNTS

	1/1/55 Balance	Appropriations	Receipts	Transfers	Refunds	Total	Expended	Closed to Revenue etc.	Balance 12/31/55	Transfers Out
Veterans' Services 1955 Benefits		40,000.00		3,000.00	880.07	43,880.07	58,483.40		*14,603.33	
1954 Benefits	500.00				51.40	551.40	417.60	133.80		
Expenses		950.00				950.00	946.24	3.76		
Salary Adjustment		260.00				260.00				260.00
Salary Agent		3,120.42				3,120.42	3,120.00	.42		
Clerk-Stenographer		2,615.60				2,615.60	2,615.60			
SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES										
School Dept. Salary Supt.		9,750.00				9,750.00	9,750.00			
Out of State Travel		500.00				500.00	495.56	4.44		
Plans, Specs. Drawings Hollis	732.23					732.23	732.23			
State Retirement Reserve			16.81			16.81	16.81			
U. S. Grant Public Law 874	15,330.97		28,050.89			43,381.86	18,404.38		24,977.48	
School Study Committee	1,875.00					1,875.00	75.00		1,800.00	
Instruction		1,064,535.00		4,706.77	145.62	1,069,387.39	1,069,387.39			
Operation of School Plant.		160,440.00		4,857.13	172.16	165,469.29	165,469.29			
Maint. of School Plant.		70,740.00		7.19	8.00	70,755.19	70,755.19			
Auxiliary Agencies		78,500.00				78,500.00	77,077.51	1,422.49		
Outlay		3,900.00				3,900.00	3,720.99	179.01		
General Control		17,150.00		363.68		17,513.68	16,544.41	969.27		
Athletic Fund	632.40		7,190.39			7,822.79	6,190.95		1,631.84	
Land Plot 1, Plan 1098										
Digaetano	3,050.00					3,050.00	3,050.00			
High School Lunch Program	1,836.99		51,479.66			53,316.65	52,305.28		1,011.37	
Elementary Lunch Program	3,435.14		79,198.32			82,633.46	78,207.53		4,425.93	
Hollis School Addition	116,905.60					116,905.60	110,803.61		6,101.99	
New School Lakeside Drive	361.90					361.90			361.90	
Land Plot 2, Plan 1098										
McSharry	1,875.00					1,875.00	1,875.00			
Land Plot 1, Plan 1087										
Mooreland Trust	325.00					325.00	325.00			
New School Flye Site	2,578.47					2,578.47	971.00		1,607.47	
New Junior High School			1,150,000.00	439.95		1,150,439.95	316,040.32		834,399.63	
Plans, Specif., Etc., New Jr.										
High School	48,400.00					48,400.00	48,400.00			
Evening School		6,000.00				6,000.00	5,993.82	6.18		
Plans, Specif. Drawings,										
Perkins Area	144.36					144.36			144.36	
Perkins Area Elementary	61,054.53					61,054.53	59,050.82		2,003.71	
Link Fence Torrey	784.95					784.95	684.95		100.00	
Athletic Fund		4,500.00				4,500.00	4,499.67	.33		
Plot 3—Plan 1098		2,000.00				2,000.00			2,000.00	

Lots 3, 4, 5, Plan 1098 .....	655.00	.....	.....	.....	655.00	.....
Specs. Etc., New Elem. ....						
Liberty St. ....	15,000.00	.....	3.70	.....	15,003.70	893.65
Sprinkler System—Watson .....						
School .....	5,200.00	.....	.....	.....	5,200.00	2,995.32
Colbert Library Trust Income .....			9,000.00	.....	9,000.00	6,254.77
Library—Salary Librarians .....	35,929.68	.....	.....	.....	35,929.68	34,710.52
Salary Adjustment .....	3,681.54	.....	.....	.....	3,681.54	.....
Janitor .....	3,516.00	.....	.....	.....	3,516.00	3,514.67
Expense .....	15,080.00	500.00	.....	.....	15,580.00	1.33
New Library .....			.....	.....		.01
New Equip. Thermostat Br. ....	31,662.02	.....	.....	.....	31,662.02	.....
Hlds. ....	200.00	.....	.....	.....	200.00	.....
New Library Furn. & Equip. ....			.....	.....	2,696.31	197.00
			.....	.....		469.89
			.....	.....		3.00
			.....	.....		2,226.42

RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

Parks & Playgrounds—Salary .....	3,889.60	.....	.....	.....	3,889.60	.....
Supt. ....						
Purchase Land Campanelli .....						
Trust. Br. High. ....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	1.00	1.00
Purchase Land Livoli Realty .....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	1.00	1.00
Parks & Playgrounds—Sec. ....						
Salary .....	300.00	.....	.....	.....	300.00	.....
Labor .....	3,900.00	.....	.....	.....	3,900.00	2.50
Salary Adjustment .....	306.40	.....	.....	.....	306.40	10.00
Expense .....	2,393.00	.....	.....	.....	2,393.00	2,383.66
Materials, Supplies, Repairs .....	2,575.00	.....	20.10	.....	3,595.10	9.34
Hollis Field, New Stadium .....			.....	.....	82.76	11.43
New Construction .....	2,329.42	.....	.....	.....	5,820.42	.....
Chair Swings .....	242.00	.....	.....	.....	242.00	2.95
Steel Chutes .....	1,009.00	.....	.....	.....	1,009.00	.....
Merry-Go-Round .....	307.00	.....	1.80	.....	308.80	.....
Jungle Gym .....	360.00	.....	.....	.....	360.00	.....
Swing Sets .....	426.00	.....	.....	.....	426.00	.....
See Saws .....	235.00	.....	.....	.....	235.00	.....
Dyar Hill Playground .....	3,000.00	.....	.....	.....	3,000.00	.....
Organized Play—Salary .....			.....	.....		846.56
Superv. ....	600.00	.....	.....	.....	600.00	.....
Organized Play—Salary .....			.....	.....		.....
Instructors .....	6,473.00	.....	60.00	.....	6,533.00	48.00
Organized Play—Expense .....	1,800.00	.....	120.95	.....	1,920.95	3.34
Swimming Program—Salary .....			.....	.....		.....
Lifeguards .....	2,329.00	.....	.....	.....	2,329.00	46.00
Matron .....	370.00	.....	.....	.....	370.00	.....
Caretaker .....	125.00	.....	.....	.....	125.00	.....
Wire Baskets—E. Bra. Field .....	250.00	.....	.....	.....	250.00	.....



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	1/1/55 Balance	Appropriations	Receipts	Transfers	Refunds	Total	Expended	Closed to Revenue etc.	Balance 12/31/55	Transfers Out
Swimming Program — Expense	.....	409.00	.....	595.00	.....	1,004.00	980.05	.....	.....	23.95
Maint. & Improvement—Golf	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Course .....	.....	15,000.00	.....	.....	13.73	15,013.73	14,535.32	.....	478.41	.....
Braintree Golf Course Reserve	.....	.....	9,735.25	.....	.....	9,735.25	.....	.....	9,735.25	.....
General Gov't. Incidentals .....	.....	1,500.00	.....	.....	.....	1,500.00	1,452.83	47.17	.....	.....
Insurance Auto Fire & Theft	.....	400.00	.....	.....	.....	400.00	267.46	132.54	.....	.....
Employees Compensation ..	.....	12,000.00	.....	1,120.31	.....	13,120.31	13,120.31	.....	.....	.....
Bids. & Contents .....	.....	10,525.21	.....	.....	.....	10,525.21	8,893.29	1,631.92	.....	.....
Auto Liability .....	.....	3,200.00	.....	.....	.....	3,200.00	2,807.93	392.07	.....	.....
Boiler .....	.....	150.00	.....	.....	.....	150.00	150.00	.....	.....	.....
Town Reports .....	.....	1,554.61	.....	.....	.....	1,554.61	1,554.61	.....	.....	.....
V. F. W. Rental of Hall ..	.....	960.00	.....	.....	.....	960.00	960.00	.....	.....	.....
Maint. of Legion Bldg. ....	.....	1,200.00	.....	.....	.....	1,200.00	1,200.00	.....	.....	.....
Memorial Day .....	.....	600.00	.....	.....	.....	600.00	595.50	4.50	.....	.....
Reserve Fund .....	.....	25,000.00	.....	.....	.....	25,000.00	22,709.82	.....	.....	2,290.18
Bat. C 126th AAA National	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Guard .....	.....	450.00	.....	.....	.....	450.00	450.00	.....	.....	.....
Unpaid Bills prior to Jan.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1, 1955 .....	.....	50.28	.....	.....	.....	50.28	50.28	.....	.....	.....
Town Forest .....	.....	450.00	.....	.....	.....	450.00	232.40	.....	217.60	.....
Street Lighting .....	.....	14,500.00	.....	.....	.....	14,500.00	14,500.00	.....	.....	.....
Parking Meter Receipts ..	8,649.10	.....	7,741.19	.....	.....	16,390.29	9,000.00	.....	7,390.29	.....
Industrial Commission Oper.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Expense .....	.....	1,290.00	.....	.....	.....	1,290.00	1,079.14	210.86	.....	.....
Out of State Travel .....	.....	200.00	.....	.....	.....	200.00	.....	200.00	.....	.....
1954 Hurricane Edna .....	1,696.38	.....	.....	1,696.38	.....	1,696.38	.....	.....	.....	.....
1954 Hurricane Carol .....	.....	.....	45,509.36	51,948.63	.....	97,457.99	.....	45,509.36	.....	51,948.63
Flood Damage Control .....	.....	.....	2,000.00	143.90	.....	22,532.03	.....	.....	*20,388.12	.....
ENTERPRISES AND CEMETERIES										
Water Dept. Rec. Reser. for	26,671.21	.....	.....	300,010.41	.....	326,681.62	264,142.60	.....	62,539.02	.....
Appro. ....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Commissioner Salaries ..	.....	300.00	.....	.....	.....	300.00	300.00	.....	.....	.....
Salary Supt. ....	.....	7,500.00	.....	.....	.....	7,500.00	7,500.00	.....	.....	.....
Clerks .....	.....	10,937.74	.....	.....	.....	10,937.74	10,924.13	.....	.....	13.61
Debt. & Interest .....	.....	20,226.00	.....	.....	.....	20,226.00	20,226.00	.....	.....	.....
Out of State Travel .....	.....	100.00	.....	.....	.....	100.00	100.00	.....	.....	.....
Salary Adjustment .....	.....	3,322.40	.....	.....	.....	3,322.40	.....	.....	.....	3,322.40
Other Expense & Wages ..	.....	221,587.00	.....	7,062.52	2.32	228,651.84	197,811.00	.....	.....	30,840.84
New Standpipe .....	9,293.33	.....	.....	.....	.....	9,293.33	.....	.....	.....	9,293.33
Chlorination Sunset Lake ..	.....	1,900.00	.....	.....	.....	1,900.00	1,575.67	324.33	.....	.....





## 1955 RECAPITULATION — LEDGER ACCOUNTS

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# TOWN OF BRAINTREE

## Balance Sheet December 31, 1955

### GENERAL ACCOUNTS

#### Assets

Cash .....		\$2,036,651.60
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1955 Real .....	\$ 92,533.85	
Levy of 1955 Personal .....	9,174.70	
Levy of 1955 Poll .....	356.00	
		102,064.55
Overlay 1955 .....		2,247.03
Judgment on 1947 Personal Property Tax ....	148.00	
Judgment on 1949 Personal Property Tax ....	42.40	
Bankruptcy Claim on 1949 Personal Property Tax .....	250.16	
Bankruptcy Claim on 1949 Poll Tax .....	2.00	
Court Judgement on Personal Tax .....	101.64	
Court Judgement No. 90949 Holbrook .....	146.87	
Court Judgement on 1954 Poll Tax .....	2.00	
		693.07
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1955 .....	33,274.88	
Court Judgment 1954 Motor Tax .....	64.83	
Court Judgment 1951 Motor Tax .....	68.74	
Court Judgment 1953 Personal Property Tax .....	123.01	
Court Judgment 1954 Motor Tax .....	25.00	
Court Judgment 1954 Motor Tax .....	4.75	
		33,561.21
Special Assessments:		
Sewer:		
Unapportioned .....	32,970.99	
Apportioned 1955 .....	1,109.57	
House Connections Unapportioned .....	32,948.19	
House Connections Apportioned 1955 ....	261.07	
Streets		
Unapportioned .....	4,171.96	
Apportioned 1955 .....	81.00	
Sidewalks:		
Unapportioned .....	376.84	
Apportioned 1955 .....	6.00	
Committed Interest 1955 .....	350.91	
		72,276.53
Tax Titles and Possessions:		
Tax Titles .....	9,155.49	
Tax Titles Possessions .....	30,847.45	
		40,002.94
Departmental Revenue:		
A. D. C. "118" .....	5,892.79	
Welfare .....	4,589.65	
Old Age Assistance .....	225.02	
Health .....	895.50	



Police Ambulance .....	857.75	
		12,460.71
County Aid to Highways .....	8,691.72	
State Aid to Highways .....	17,381.16	
		26,072.88
Water Dept. Liens 1955 .....	797.85	
Water Dept. Rates and Services .....	33,105.57	
Water Dept. Petty Cash .....	200.00	
		34,103.42
Electric Light Dept. Light Power .....	95,250.45	
Electric Light Dept. Petty Cash .....	200.00	
		95,450.45
Treasurer's Petty Cash .....		100.00
Tax Collector's Petty Cash .....		400.00
Other Miscellaneous Items:		
1955 Veterans Services .....		14,603.33
1955 Flood Damage Control .....		20,388.13
1954 Electric Light Hurricane Edna ....		8,560.61
1955 County Tax .....		5,464.43
Smoke Inspection Service .....		4.20
Metropolitan Parks .....		1,771.24
Boston Arena Authority .....		636.87
		<u>\$2,507,513.20</u>

#### *Liabilities & Reserves*

Overlay 1954 .....	\$	24,626.30
1954 Real Estate Taxes .....		28.40
Treasurer Petty Cash Advance .....		100.00
Collectors Petty Cash Advance .....		400.00
Defense Bonds .....		1,858.26
Withholding Tax .....		22,982.94
Overlay Reserve .....		3,014.87
Sewer Receipts Reserved for Appropriation		78,169.56
Dog Licenses .....		63.35
Suspense Account .....		275.49
Water Dept. Receipts Reserved .....		62,539.02
Electric Light Dept. Maintenance .....		72,840.05
Electric Light Dept. Construction Account		19.45
Electric Light Dept. Depreciation .....		357,158.62
Federal Grants:		
Old Age Assistance .....	\$	25,685.74
Old Age Assistance Admr. ....		11,711.75
D. A. Assistance Admr. ....		1,673.77
D. A. Assistance .....		1,601.17
A. D. C. "118" .....		3,366.61
A. D. C. "118" Admr. ....		1,605.50
		<u>45,644.54</u>
O. A. Assistance Reserve .....		1,954.43
Sale of Cemetery Lots .....		355.00
Parks and Playgrounds Reserve .....		500.00
Excess and Deficiency .....		391,944.05
Unexpended Appropriation Balances:		
Accountant & Clerical Expense .....		160.00
Treasurer Parking Meter Expense .....		157.00

Assessors Witness Fee .....	1,050.00
Law Settlement of Claims .....	326.44
Law Land Damages .....	6,120.25
Town Hall Repairs to Roof .....	2,793.20
Town Hall—Minor Repairs .....	285.17
Planning Board .....	1,009.46
Police Department, New Garage .....	4,667.23
Sewer Dept.:	
New Equipment, Common St. ....	209.18
Pumping Site Purchase .....	475.00
1955 New Construction .....	74,875.27
Pumping Station Survey .....	5,000.00
Highway:	
Dutch Elm Disease .....	5,988.18
Highway Dept. Chapt. 90 Construction	13,651.03
1955 New Construction .....	20,855.16
1954 New Construction .....	1,545.89
1952 New Construction .....	2,637.44
1951 New Construction .....	2,161.19
1954 Walnut Street Extension .....	3,496.75
Streets Resurfaced .....	2,777.60
1955 Mass. Avenue .....	11,386.75
1955 Thayer Road .....	198.62
1955 Sidewalk Academy Street .....	573.70
1955 Brookside Road .....	7,237.00
Welfare Temporary Aid .....	2,893.53
School Dept. U. S. Grant Public Law 874	24,977.48
School Study Committee .....	1,800.00
Athletic Fund Revolving .....	1,631.84
High School Lunch Program .....	1,011.37
Elementary School Lunch Program .....	4,425.93
Hollis School Addition .....	6,101.99
New School Lakeside .....	361.90
New School Flye Site .....	1,607.47
Junior High School .....	834,399.63
Plans Specifications Drawings .....	144.36
Perkins Area Elementary .....	2,003.71
Link Fence Torrey School .....	100.00
Purchase Plot 3 Plan 1098 .....	2,000.00
Purchase Lots 3, 4, 5 Plan 1098 .....	655.00
Reports New Elementary Liberty St. ....	14,110.05
Sprinkling System Watson School .....	2,204.68
Colbert Library Trust .....	2,745.23
New Library .....	26,838.97
Parks and Playgrounds—Purchase	
Campenella Trust .....	1.00
Parks and Playgrounds—Purchase	
Livoli Realty Trust .....	1.00
Hollis Field New Stadium .....	72.76
Dyar Hill Playground .....	846.56
Maintenance Golf Course .....	478.41
Braintree Golf Course Reserve .....	9,735.25
Town Forest .....	217.60
Parking Meter Receipts .....	7,390.29



Civilian Defense .....	449.10
1955 Norfolk County Hospital .....	1,770.12
Metropolitan Sewerage .....	2,324.36
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Revenue .....	33,561.21
Special Assessment Revenue .....	72,276.53
Tax Title Revenue .....	40,002.94
Departmental Revenue .....	12,460.71
State & County Aid to Highways .....	26,072.88
Water Dept. Revenue .....	33,903.42
Water Dept. Petty Cash .....	200.00
Electric Light Dept. Revenue .....	95,250.45
Electric Light Dept. Petty Cash .....	200.00
Ambulance Service .....	6,163.62
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	\$2,507,513.20

### DEFERRED REVENUE ACCOUNTS

*Debit:*

Apportioned Assessment Not Due:

Apportioned Sewer .....	\$ 128,766.37	
Apportioned House Connections .....	76,360.00	
Apportioned Streets .....	7,447.50	
Apportioned Sidewalks .....	1,649.00	
	<hr/>	\$214,222.87

*Credit:*

Apportioned Sewer Assessments Revenue:

Due in 1956 .....	\$ 23,387.97	
Due in 1957 .....	22,665.04	
Due in 1958 .....	20,139.78	
Due in 1959 .....	16,628.56	
Due in 1960 .....	12,932.02	
Due in 1961 .....	9,677.00	
Due in 1962 .....	7,454.00	
Due in 1963 .....	5,668.00	
Due in 1964 .....	1,264.00	
Due in 1965 .....	895.00	
Due in 1966 .....	895.00	
Due in 1967 .....	895.00	
Due in 1968 .....	895.00	
Due in 1969 .....	895.00	
Due in 1970 .....	895.00	
Due in 1971 .....	895.00	
Due in 1972 .....	895.00	
Due in 1973 .....	895.00	
Due in 1974 .....	895.00	
	<hr/>	\$128,766.37

Apportioned Sewer House Connections Revenue:

Due in 1956 .....	11,854.00
Due in 1957 .....	11,372.00
Due in 1958 .....	10,694.00
Due in 1959 .....	9,455.00
Due in 1960 .....	8,084.00
Due in 1961 .....	6,624.00
Due in 1962 .....	5,000.00
Due in 1963 .....	3,309.00
Due in 1964 .....	1,388.00

Due in 1965 .....	858.00	
Due in 1966 .....	858.00	
Due in 1967 .....	858.00	
Due in 1968 .....	858.00	
Due in 1969 .....	858.00	
Due in 1970 .....	858.00	
Due in 1971 .....	858.00	
Due in 1972 .....	858.00	
Due in 1973 .....	858.00	
Due in 1974 .....	858.00	
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		\$ 76,360.00

Apportioned Streets Revenue:

Due in 1956 .....	1,542.50	
Due in 1957 .....	1,441.00	
Due in 1958 .....	1,097.00	
Due in 1959 .....	827.00	
Due in 1960 .....	796.00	
Due in 1961 .....	609.00	
Due in 1962 .....	529.00	
Due in 1963 .....	365.00	
Due in 1964 .....	56.00	
Due in 1965 .....	23.00	
Due in 1966 .....	23.00	
Due in 1967 .....	23.00	
Due in 1968 .....	23.00	
Due in 1969 .....	23.00	
Due in 1970 .....	14.00	
Due in 1971 .....	14.00	
Due in 1972 .....	14.00	
Due in 1973 .....	14.00	
Due in 1974 .....	14.00	
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		7,447.50

Apportioned Sidewalks Revenue:

Due in 1956 .....	248.00	
Due in 1957 .....	248.00	
Due in 1958 .....	248.00	
Due in 1959 .....	213.00	
Due in 1960 .....	150.00	
Due in 1961 .....	135.00	
Due in 1962 .....	135.00	
Due in 1963 .....	96.00	
Due in 1964 .....	46.00	
Due in 1965 .....	13.00	
Due in 1966 .....	13.00	
Due in 1967 .....	13.00	
Due in 1968 .....	13.00	
Due in 1969 .....	13.00	
Due in 1970 .....	13.00	
Due in 1971 .....	13.00	
Due in 1972 .....	13.00	
Due in 1973 .....	13.00	
Due in 1974 .....	13.00	
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		1,649.00
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		\$214,222.87



## DEBTS ACCOUNTS

Net Funded and Fixed Debt .....	\$5,982,000.00
	\$5,982,000.00

Sewerage .....	\$	84,000.00	
Water Dept. New Standpipe .....		42,000.00	
Hollis School Addition .....		635,000.00	
Water Dept. Improving New Main .....		72,000.00	
Water Dept. Booster Station, etc. ....		18,000.00	
Sewerage 1½ Bonds .....		20,000.00	
High School New Addition .....		523,000.00	
New Grade School East Braintree .....		495,000.00	
High School Remodeling .....		48,000.00	
New Highway Garage .....		18,000.00	
1948 New Sewer .....		15,000.00	
1951 New Sewer .....		30,000.00	
Electric Light Dept. New Plant .....		1,190,000.00	
Miscellaneous New Schools .....		1,136,000.00	
New Library .....		170,000.00	
1953 New Sewer .....		80,000.00	
1952 New Sewer .....		59,000.00	
Perkins School Area .....		152,000.00	
1954 New Sewer .....		45,000.00	
New Junior High School .....		1,150,000.00	
		\$5,982,000.00	
		\$5,982,000.00	

## TRUST ACCOUNTS

### *Debit:*

#### Trust Funds:

In Custody of Town Treasurer:

Cash & Sec. in Custody of Town Treasurer	\$ 152,266.93
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### *Credit:*

Charles H. Thayer Fund .....	21,038.90
Ann M Penniman Fund .....	522.61
George W. Kelley Cemetery Fund .....	224.91
Charles E. French Fund .....	2,548.46
Nathaniel H. Hunt Fund .....	24,436.99
Hannah R. Hollis Fund .....	122.85
Julia A. Minchin Fund .....	131.68
Library Foundation Fund .....	11,020.91
Caleb Stetson Library Fund .....	2,500.00
Rachel H. Thayer Fund .....	172.50
Avis A. Thayer Fund .....	541.63
Joseph S. Miller Fund .....	162.84
Stabilization Fund .....	1,180.78
Henry H. Musick Fund .....	325.51
Charles C. Hill Cemetery Fund .....	131.69
James W. Colbert School Fund .....	34,518.78
James W. Colbert Library Fund .....	41,533.62
Minerva Martin Fund .....	326.79

Mary F. White Fund .....	10,825.48	
	<hr/>	\$ 152,266.93
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		\$ 152,266.93
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*RETIREMENT SYSTEM*

Cash and Securities .....		\$ 555,187.10
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		\$ 555,187.10
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Annuity Savings Fund .....	\$ 406,755.85	
Pension Accumulation Fund .....	89,325.80	
Annuity Reserve Fund .....	42,147.72	
Expense Fund .....	688.74	
Income Fund .....	12,818.80	
Annuity Savings Mil. Service .....	3,450.19	
	<hr/>	\$ 555,187.10
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		\$ 555,187.10
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Respectfully submitted,

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Town Accountant





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